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188.....	.07	.50	3.00
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193.....	.04	.35	3.00
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215.....	.02	.18	1.50
214.....	.01	.07	.50
215.....	.02	.18	1.50
216.....	.01	.07	.50
217.....	.03	.20	2.00
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Revenues, 1862-71, 25c Power of Attorney		.75	
Revenues, 1862-71, 30c Inland Exchange		.75	
Revenues, 1862-71, 40c Inland Exchange		.80	
Revenues, 1862-71, 50c Conveyance		.75	
Revenues, 1862-71, 50c Orig. Process		.98	
Revenues, 1862-71, 50c Entry of Goods		.75	
Revenues, 1862-71, \$1.00 For. Exchange		.75	
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Revenues, 1871, 50c Blue and Black15		
Revenues, 1898, 40c Blue Lilac15		
Revenues, 1898, 80c Bistre15		
Revenues, 1898, \$1.00 Green15		
Revenues, 1898, Brown35		
Revenues, 1898, Orange35	3.25	
Revenues, 1914, 1/2c-50c rose, 10' var.40	3.00	
Revenues, 1914, \$1.00 Green10		
Revenues, 1914, Rose15		
Revenues, 1917, \$10.00, surcharged "Stock Trans." lightly cut or pinholed	1.00		
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fixed to be called in later years, an Austrian by adoption, fled from Paris to
Bern and, either angered at having to leave France against his will,
or coming under German influence in Switzerland, he made a new will, with
(as *the American* weekly called it) "his memorable declaration of his con-
fession."

WESTERN NOTES

By George J. Hamburg, Monticello, Calif.

A fine deposit of feldspar has been discovered in Tulare county, Calif.

—O—

Daniel O. McCarthy, who established the first morning daily newspaper in California, "The American Flag," at Sonora, in 1860, died in Los Angeles recently.

—O—

Alaska's oldest daily newspaper, "The Alaskan," published at Skagway, has been changed to a tri-weekly.

—O—

Perfectly preserved petrified giant redwood trees have lately been discovered near Santa Rosa, Calif.

—O—

The "Native Sons" of California have decided to erect tablets marking historic spots about the pioneer monument at Donner lake and on the Kit Carson trail.

—O—

Joe Clark, a French-Canadian trapper of the famous Kings River Canyon in California, has a remarkable collection of furs of wild animals of that region that he has been 20 years in gathering.

—O—

Prospectors have recently discovered an enormous deposit of red ochre near the head of Norton Sound, in Alaska.

—O—

Joseph Grinnell, associate professor of zoology in the University of California, and editor of "The Condor," a magazine of western ornithology, has discovered that the Mac Farlane screech-owl is comparatively common in some sections of California, although but one California-taken specimen is as yet to be contained in any museum.

—O—

Very dear to Californians is the name and fame of David Douglas, the botanist, who discovered and named our Sugar Pine. We learn from Sabins Honolulu magazine, "Paradise on the Pacific," that an investigator down there, Mr. Wilson, has written a book about David Douglas, botanist of Hawaii.

—O—

The collection of the late Malcolm P. Anderson, naturalist, has been given to the California Museum of Vertebrate zoology, by his widow.

15,000 INSECTS PICKLED SOLD FOR ONLY \$500.

Chicago Ill., March, 13.—A collection of 45,000 insects, representing sixty-eight years' search in the United States, Alaska and Mexico by the late Oliver S. Westcott of Chicago, has been sold to the state college of Washington, at Pullman, for \$5000 it was learned today. Mr. Westcott estimated the value of the collection at not less than \$10,000, according to his son, Charles Westcott. The collection also contains snakes, reptiles, fish, mollusca, shells, corals and fossils.

DENVER NOTES.

(By MAITLAND MILLIKEN.)

Among the recent advertising postmarks the following have been seen—

58 "Join the Navy Training—Travel" while New York City has "Join
earn while you Earn"; Great Falls, Montana has "Visit Glacier
Brooklyn and New York City each during Xmas used the
Alosis with Red Cross Christmas Seals"; Eureka, California is
ave the Redwoods"; Los Angeles, California has again taken
the "Prevent Forest Fires" and "Take Your Vacation in the National
Forests"; Salt Lake City, Utah used the "Fire Prevention Week Oct. 9 to 16."

Many old time collectors are familiar with the U. S. Local Stamps as issued by the private letter carrying companies of the early Forties. Most of them have gone out of business but how many are still at the old stands of business (with methods changed, of course) nowadays? The writer has come into possession of several envelopes mailed in December, 1913, of the Boyd's City Dispatch of New York City. They are selling classified mail—lists of tradespeople. There must be several more still doing business. Who are they?

Another popular group has been added to stamp collecting—the Neuropes, which will prove to be very interesting. The low rates of foreign exchange has added great impetus to the collecting of these Neuropes postage stamps. Thus the very high values are easily obtainable thereby resulting in a great many complete sets being added to collections which otherwise would have been almost impossible.

The arrival of Scott's 1920 Catalogue is looked for eagerly by all classes of collectors since the last edition appeared some eighteen months ago. A tremendous demand for this edition is being anticipated. The appearance of this new catalogue is due about April 1st or thereabout. Another edition will not likely appear for another eighteen months so get your copy early. Your correspondent will forward you a copy for \$1.70 postpaid anywhere. There will be same surprises in the way of advanced prices to many collectors. My address is 404 Foster Bldg., Denver.

The writer has made up a large frame containing very odd and interesting stamps from Neuropes which are being exhibited in the street windows or several leading stores. The stamps have attracted considerable attention from interested passersbys and will no doubt stimulate their further interest in stamp collecting.

with spare time and artistic ability might attempt to write a list of the various types, sizes, colors and variety of these surcharges. The result would be one of surprise, should it ever attain any mature state of completion. Not alone however to cigars is the center of interest confined. Surcharges are rampant through the ranking classes of all the tax pads. Double and even occasional triple surcharges are not unknown. The beautiful old beer issues now are departed from our midst, but their parting cup was one of joy. They leave a trail of rubber stamp and printed surcharges that reach from John O Groats to Tralee. Cigarettes, small cigars, liquors and other commodities requiring tax pads have left a clear trail behind them. Clear as to blazings but sometimes unintelligible from lack of English acting stamps and pads.

Playing Card Provisionals. The playing card provisionals form a pretty little group of provisionals. The familiar old 2-cent denomination has been surcharged for use until the new stamp could be placed in use. Plenty of 7 to 8 cent values in surcharge are to be found by the persistent hunter. These come with multiple and single surcharges, rubber stamp and printed and double provisional on both the old 2-cent value for all of the above offenses and on the new tax paid playing card stamp for some of them. It is well to note that the new tax paid design for playing cards is to the writers mind a tasty cup of tea. The four suits of the pack are worked centrally into a pleasing design that bids fair for popularity with all. Just why some of the surcharges appearing on the last issue should appear there we cannot fathom, yet it suffices for the collector only to know that they are there and to knock them off as they pass before him in review.

The latest novelty in the Playing card surcharges is in the shape of a large printed wrapper and circular combined, evidently used as wrapper to a quantity of packs. The specimens before us are issued by the United States Playing Card Co., of Cincinnati. The wrapper measures 5 1/2 x 18 inches. There is customary advertising in all the tongues of a versatile linguist. It seems to be all about Bicycle Playing Cards rather than stamps. The only ornate thing about it is that it has a fine trade mark out of the ace of spades. We can recall at least one occasion when we'd have given a fifty case note if we'd held that same bird in the cage. There is a surcharge at the right of the big ace reading up in two lines "Internal Revenue Paid 8 cents per pack." Another variety identical with the last except the packs are paid at 7 cents revenue rate. The wrappers are in green on tough buff brown paper. Some of the well informed will confer a favor if they will state exactly what its all about and why.

Movie Tickets. Here is a class of tax pads of a caste and rank of their own. Entertainment tax. The front of the ticket is revenue for the house, the reverse revenue for the government. Varieties are varied and interesting. This same form of tax paid is to be found in soda fountain checks and tickets and checks of similar character. To say the least they form a wholesome dish for a little side show. Baseball season coming along puts us in a mood to wish—should we have to pay entertainment tax that rain checks will have

an income coupon attached. Before getting involved in speculation we will simply refer adherents to the study of profound and profane intricacies in the revenue line to the Corporation form of government return and its attendant forms and supplemental exhibits.

PHILATELIC TIT-BITS.

The King of the Belgians, the first monarch to wear a steel helmet, can also claim to be the first King to use it as his crown, as shown by the last issue of Postage Stamps from Belgium.

All the War Tax Stamps of the British colonies are to be withdrawn, so needless to say prices will go up with a jump. Collectors of these interesting issues would do well to fill the blank spaces in their albums before it is too late. Then they will be able to cope with the Peace issues that are appearing from the various countries just now.

From one of our contemporaries I take the following interesting piece of news of War Tax Stamps. "People running short of War Tax Stamps in the Gold Coast have typewritten "War Tax" on the ordinary stamps and together with the postage stamp sent them off. But the post office at this end charge 2c postage due on delivery. What is this typewritten stamp? Can some one of the West readers give me any details regarding these stamps? Would be glad to hear. McKie)

The Philatelic season of 1920 promises to be a booster. Already arrangements have been made to hold Stamp exhibitions at Brighton, Leicester and also Nottingham, while the Philatelic congress is booked to take place at Newcastle from May 25th to 29th 1920. Philatelic who are on a visit to Newcastle on Tyne during these dates will be able to have a good days enjoyment philatelic and otherwise at the seventh Philatelic congress in Great Britain and Ireland.

Two new additions of the leading war and armistice stamp catalogs have just been published by Bright and Son and Stanley Gibbon respectively. The most reliable one of the two is the one published by Bright & Son as this firm specializes in War issues. This little book contains over 80 pages and is practically complete of all newscope stamps and what is more, most of the stamps listed are priced. Another Philatelic handbook which I advertise every collector to have, is the one just published by D. Field at 2-8. This

handbook is the history of the War Stamps of the Allies and is brightly written by two well-known Philatelists, namely Douglas B. Armsstrong and C. H. Greenwood.

W. F. Wallancey, the proprietor of Stamp collecting is publishing very shortly the following Philatelic Handbooks, anyone of the West readers interested in them can address their inquiries or order to the writer of these notes.

Stamps of Chile, Hawath 2-8 65c
 Guide to values of Britian stamps, A. R. Simpson 2-8 65c
 Line engraved stamp of Great Britian, Part I

By F. W. Wadham 2-8 65c

The proprietors of the Philatelic Institute and Galleries in London have to be congratulated on the success of the Christmas exhibition held by him. They were off a novel description. The first exhibition is termed, Mappin Terraces and contains postage stamps, picturing animals of all kinds. In fact it is a regular zoo. We move further along and come to the Postage Stamp Navy, here we have a collection of all the different ships from canoes to battleships. After having spent quite a lot of time looking through the navy, we take a flying visit to what is known as th Aviary exhibition and are shown all the birds of feather in a cage. It would take up the West to describe all the numerous items I saw, so the few notes given above will have to do for the present.

BOILED DOWN

Many collectors have favored us with notes, clippings and news matter. We would like to thank you one and all for your kind interest. We are glad to see even a post card containing notes or items for collectors.

Which is the most-written about stamp in the world? The penny black, I suppose; but the United States, 3 cents, 1851, must be running it close these days.

According to a story told by a correspondent of "Mekeel's Weekly," William Jennings Bryan, is, or was a keen philatelist, at one time owing a collection valued at about \$35,0000.

The well-known British Colonials had better get a move on if they don't want to get left. Neuropé is running away from the field.

If this magazine helps you, help us by mentioning it in your letters to advertisers.

McKINNEY RELICS COLLECTED FOR CHICAGO BOYS' CLUB

The only collection in Chicago of William McKinney relics has just been brought to the city to open the museum in the new home of Chicago Boys' Club No. 5, 28th street and Ridgeway avenue. The exhibit will remain here permanently as part of the new museum. The relics were collected by O. D. Bampher, supervisor of Club 5, who has just made a trip thru Ohio, visiting Niles, the birthplace of McKinney, and Canton, his later home.

FIND 9-POUND INDIAN AX IN DECATUR COUNTY, IND.

William F. Pell of this city and Dr. Harry A. Washburn of Waldron, collectors of Indian curios, unearthed a large number of relics while searching in Decatur county recently. Among their findings was a stone ax weighing nine pounds. A grain grinder, several stone pipes and bowls also were found.

STAMP FAMINE IN AUSTRIA.

Vienno, April 26.—Austria is undergoing a stamp famine. Stamp dealers have brought up all the recent issues, many printed on cardboard, and nearly all imperforated. As a first corrective measure, all higher value stamps have been abandoned and parcels must now be taken to the postoffice and prepaid in money.

The collection of Indian copper and stone implements owned by Henry P. Hamilton of Two Rivers, one of the largest and best of its kind in the world and valued at more than \$30,000, is to be presented to the State Historical museum, Madison, by the owner.

Mr. Hamilton is vice president of the Wisconsin Archeological society and a member of the State Historical society.

TRADE X ADS BRING BIG RESULTS.

New readers may not know the WEST has been published since Dec. 1906, and for over twelve years has been over 100 pages each issue. Collectors know its value, and close to 300 or more, competitive ads are found in each issue, many using space by the year. Most all come again who use ads over six months.

For many years we have had stencil card filing cases, holding over 25,000 names of active collectors in all parts of the world. Every few months these names are verified, and thousands of new ones are added. Advertisers who try it over six months, get their ads before the most different active collectors, and find it is the cheapest advertising in America. Each yearly subscriber, who sends \$1, is allowed one 20-word X Ad free, with subscription. Don't delay. Act today. Send Ad for the next issue. **Philatelic West and Collectors' World, Superior, Nebraska, U. S. A.**

MARKET CONCLUSIONS.

Those who have not bought United States stamps will have abundant reason to regret it.

Those who possess them will be joyful in their consideration of their possessions.

The general effect on the market will be that everything choice and rare will be readily salable at the new and advanced prices.

What philatelic journal in the English language holds the record for the largest number of pages in a single issue? Can any reader tell me?

Do not neglect the early issues. The present craze after "war stamps" is loading the pages of many albums with the rankest of forged surcharges at high prices. This money could more profitably be expended in the early issues of your favorite country.

A lucky find is always a possibility. We hear of a dealer who came across an "attic" find that netted him \$10,000 as a little side line. He never batted an eye-lash.

When writing to advertisers please mention this paper.

Don't stop collecting stamps! Keep them and buy more. Never let a bargain slip by! Nab it! Be sure each stamp is in first class condition. Don't listen to those who say not to collect South and C. A. stamps. Collect old tires and fiscals too.

Some day you may have one of the best collections in America.

Undoubtedly occasionally you have interesting experience in your stamp life, such as discoveries, etc. Let us know of your queries so we may help solve them and publish them for the benefit of our readers. Any notes of interest concerning stamps are welcome.

What are we to think of the price recently realized in London for a damaged stamp? It had no margins on three sides, had a cut on one side, was postmarked almost to illegibility and had been repaired on top of all that—yet it brought \$2400! We might add that it was a copy of the 1d Post Office Mauritius which realized this fancy price. This does not mean, however that you should now price all your torn and dirty stamps at the rate; for more ordinary stamps it is well to hold out for more satisfactory copies.

IF YOU GET A \$20 BILL LOOK AT IT CAREFULLY.

A new counterfeit \$20 federal reserve note is being circulated in Chicago. Capt. Thomas I. Porter, local chief of the secret service, has learned of three such notes being passed on banks. The note is printed on one thickness of paper, has no silk threads and the portrait of Cleveland looks moth-eaten. The numbering is irregular and out of line and the bill feels stiff and greasy.

Permit the writer, Ralph L. King, of Waukegan, Ill., to relate a philatelic "find" which has caused him considerable and undulating joy. A janitor came to him a few days ago with a box of old stamps which a kindly lady had given him, not knowing what else to do with the junk and being anxious to do her spring house cleaning in a thoroughly effective manner. The janitor said he thought the stamps were worth a dollar or two, but King handed him a Tenspot, volunteering to raise the "anti" as soon as he could make a trip to Chicago. In the lot were six of the Ten-cent 1847, two being absolutely perfect one with green grid cancellation and the other with a blue grid. The rest had red grid cancellation, lightly applied. There were seven of the Five-cent 1847, two being on blue paper and the others the "commoner", and five of them being wonderful copies as to condition. There were also several of the 1869 "squares" without grill. In addition there were about 100 of the one and three cent 1851 and a like number of the one and three cent 1854. These were in singles, pairs and strips up to five, including all kinds of town and paid in all three colors of cancellation. This is the second find King has made in his eight years experience in the stamp game and he has none of the 1847 issue until the last one.

Martin Jorgensen, of Waukegan, Ill., known in both hemispheres as a stamp collector, has just heard that Greenland has jumped into the stamp world by issuing a set of five stamps. Mr. Jorgensen is excited over this sort of news because these are the first stamps Greenland has ever issued, there being only a handful of people in that country who ever have occasion to 'take their pen in hand,' etc. The stamps bear a polar bear design and collectors will break their necks to add them to their collections. The stamps were issued in the following denominations and colors: 1 ore, bronze, green; 2 ore, yellow; 5 ore, brown; 10 ore, blue; 15 ore, violet; 20 ore, red. The designs are very pretty and collectors will welcome them as an addition to their album of Scandinavians.

In the course of an article on "Philatelic Propaganda" (which it is hoped will serve a useful purpose in this time of reconstruction), the "Australian Stamp Journal" publishes the following:—

"Thoreau declares his belief that the mind can be permanently damaged by attending to 'trivial things' is a delusion of many a Philistine, and that is why we want a big Philatelic Propaganda Campaign. Wordsworth's oft-quoted sentiment that the boy is father to the man is the most effective rejoinder to the cynic who derides philately because it is the most popular hobby of juveniles. George Meredith has described observation as 'perhaps the most lasting of human pleasures'; and there is no indoor recreation that so effectively trains the powers of observation as the pastime of postage stamps. The man who enjoys the art of seeing beyond all question employs

in a far fuller degree than he who notes but little as he journeys through the world. Thousands of astronomers had looked at the planet Uranus before William Herschel looked and observed that it was not a star.

There is no doubt that many men are born into the world with this gift of observation, but the faculty can be cultivated and developed by every philatelist. It is a thing to be learned—essentially a thing to be taught to children—and it is furthermore one of the very first and one of the most important mental exercises for developing the creative and inventive faculties of the brain. This splendid property of philately should be one of the main links in a gigantic scheme of propaganda. Why it has not already been recognized by education authorities can only be the fault of philatelic societies in not launching such an extensive scheme of publicity sooner."

A RARE ISSUE.

Every collector knows, curious causes are sometimes behind the rarity of issues of stamps. But in all the history of philately there is no stranger case than that of the "Yudenitch Issue," the series issued for use in the territory occupied by General Yudenitch.

These stamps were printed on very thin paper and a sufficient quantity was issued so that in the natural course of events they would never have been especially difficult for collectors to procure. But General Yudenitch's soldiers ran out of cigarette paper, and the general feeling that the comfort of his soldiers was of greater importance than the postal service, rationed out the sheets of stamps as cigarette papers. The few therefore, that have not gone up in smoke are in great demand, and American Red Cross headquarters in Paris reports that it is receiving quantities of letters from collectors all over the United States, asking for specimens.

Another issue that is of interest is that brought out by the Latvian Government. This, in default of paper, was printed on staff maps belonging to the German army.

The Colonial postmaster at Kingston, St. R. Vincent, British West Indies, in answer to a letter from your correspondent, writes the war tax stamps for that colony were withdrawn for circulation on July 1, 1919. For some unknown reason, some of the British West Indies colonies still have war tax stamps in use. For instance the Bahamas, where there has been an unusually large variety of "wars," only a few months ago issued a new variety by overprinting its regular postal emissions with a different style of type. The Bahamas war tax stamps make a particularly fine showing in the album of the collectors who specialized in them, there being many minor varieties, such as broken letters, shades, styles of type, etc. The Bahamas war tax, with the exception of their one shilling local print, can still be obtained for a modest sum.—Ralph L. King.

STAMPS OF THE WAR.

The following remarkable appreciation of the historical interest and value of war stamps appeared on the "leader" page of *The Times* apropos of a long description of the Imperial War Museum Collection, published in the same issue:—

Kings of old used to celebrate their victories by carving triumphal inscriptions upon cliffs in the countries which they had conquered, or by erecting arches or obelisks in their capitals. Doubtless, satisfaction was obtained from the vicarious exercise, but to a thoughtful conqueror the lack of wide publicity may have been galling. The Germans sought to mitigate the immobility of each pretentious denkmål of the war of 1870 by a careful distribution of picture postcards. But it is the postage stamp itself which now provides the most effective vehicle for conveying evidence of victory. What contrast can be more eloquent than the arrangement side by side of the stamps specially overprinted for the German occupation of Belgium and those prepared for the Belgian occupation of Germany? Can any one, even amid the remotest fastnesses of the Andes, doubt the triumph of the nationalities over the Central Despotisms when letters are received franked with the stamps bearing the image of the Austrian Emperor defaced by the overprint of the victorious Jugo-Slavs, or those issued by the Lithuanians and printed upon the backs of captured German staff maps? The features of the vanished Ferdinand still appear on the overprinted stamps issued by the League of Nations for use in the eastern provinces of Thrace lost by the Bulgarians. They point a moral and adorn an envelope. The Turks used special stamps in honor of their victory at Gallipoli, but the British, in their turn, used Turkish stamps with an English overprint when Bagdad was captured, just as British and French had used German colonial issues suitably verprinted in Togo and Cameroons. That a collection, such as that at the Imperial War Museum should have been formed is creditable to the authorities concerned, and it is to be hoped that private collectors will generously contribute towards the filling up of those lacunae which Professor Oman has had to leave among the serried rows of his exhibits. Many private collectors have decided to exclude from their own albums the stamps issued by enemy countries during the war, but it is fitting that such issues should find a place in the official collection, for in many cases they are actual trophies of victory, and in others they serve to emphasize the completeness of the ultimate success of the Allied Arms.

Vander Berghen, who was too modest to exhibit his work. The medal was struck for the Associated Lithuanian Societies, of which our Vice President, Mr. Alexander Rackus is Secretary.

BY THE GREAT HORNSPOON.

Everybody has heard the expression: "By the Great Hornspoon," but probably few persons have ever seen such an implement. Mrs. Roy Yeoman of Waukegan, Ill., actually has a hornspoon. She has been making a specialty of collecting odd spoons from all parts of the world and this one came from Alaska. It was made by Alaska Indians being carved out of a horn of some kind. The shape of the spoon is quite regular, but its handle is roughly carved.

Among her collection is a hammered brass spoon, made by the natives of Korea; a Roumanian sugar spoon in enameled gold of various colors with small holes in the bottom to shake the sugar through; a Russian spoon picturing a Cossack rider on the handle; an Alaska gold diggers spoon shaped like a prospector's shovel, the end of the handle being a miniature gold pan; Turkish spoon, containing a prayer of thanks for the food about to be taken by the manipulator of the spoon, and the design on the handle being the Turkish emblem, star and crescent; a tortoise shell spoon from Panama, this being quite large; an Italian spoon with handle inlaid with small sections of enameled gold of many colors; Alaskan spoon from Fort Wrangel, known as "Ancestry spoon" because of the fact that the persons making them seek to portray winged ancestor on the way to heaven; Temple spoon, made from Japanese teakwood, the handle being carved into the design of chrysanthemum, the national flower of that country; Aleutian Islands spoon made of copper and silver, handle designed like dolphin.

The most unique spoon in the lot is the Muk Muk from Alaska. It is a baby spoon, Muk meaning baby.—Ralph L. King, Waukegan, Ill.

The postage stamps of Croatia, a new stamp issuing country, likely will never become very popular with stamp collectors. Ralph L. King, a Waukegan, Illinois collector received a selection from this country the other day the stamps smelled not unlike limburger cheese. He investigated and found that the "scent" came from the gun on the stamps. Paul Shutt, a neighbor, who formerly resided in Buffalo where there are a number of glue factories, declares the gun on the Croatian stamps is fish glue, which accounts for its commanding aroma.

THE LOVE OF THE THING.

I once knew a fellow who collected stamps for the Love of the Thing! But that was when I was much younger, and now I am busy trying to get others to collect for a like reason. The difficulty is this: there are so many advantages to be gained by collecting stamps that each new recruit finds his own special reason for collecting.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

Owing to the large number of inquiries received it is impossible to get them all into print at once. Each must take its turn. For this reason should you desire a reply at once, we ask that you enclose a stamp and we will reply direct. All questions of general interest will appear in the WEST just the same.

B. E. Wood, Clark, S. D.—The coin, of which you sent a rubbing, is a 7 lire piece (\$1.00) issued in the former kingdom of Sardinia. When Italy was united this kingdom and a few others disappeared.

Chas Phillips, Fergus Falls, Minn.—Where can I secure one of the Peace Medals issued by the American Numismatic Society?

Ans.—Write B. Max Mehl, Fort Worth, Texas.

Mrs. Clara Walker, Salinas, Calif.—Excepting the gold pieces, none of the coins mentioned in your list are worth much above face value. They are all quite common. If in good condition the gold dollar will probably bring \$2.00. The half and quarter dollar pieces are "charms" or souvenirs, and were never seriously intended to circulate as money. These pieces are worth about double their face value.

You can very easily sell the two Colt pistols by advertising them in "The Philatelic West" or by corresponding with some of the collectors, advertising in this journal.

Mrs. Laura Newhauser, Nashville, Tenn.—Will you please let me know where I can get a catalogue of Dutch etchings? I have some very fine artists proofs for sale. Also coins, stamps, prints and photographs of paintings of old Dutch masters.

What is the value of the gold dollar, 1853, S mint, fine condition?

Ans. I am unable to say where you might get such a catalogue. But it is a good way to advertise for, such a one, for instance in "The Philatelic

West." And through the same medium you would find ready buyers for the other articles in your collection.

All gold dollars command a premium, but so far as I know is there no extra premium paid for the variety you mention.—M. S.

Frank McKenna, Salt Lake City, Utah—I have a 50 cent piece, date 1828, perfect condition. Is it worth more than face value?

Ans.—No, not much. Good pieces of that date can be bought for about 75 cents

S. E. Bender, Rochester, N. Y.—I have a specimen of Continental "Mind your business" money, one third of a dollar, face value, dated February 17, 1776. It is in good condition, signed in red ink. "G. Clymer." How much is this worth?

Ans.—It is a little difficult to say what is the value of it. With the meager description it is next to impossible. And besides, such pieces have no standard value. It is always more or less a matter of choice how much you want to pay in buying, or the price you will take when selling.

Miss Carrie Harsell, Palmyra, Mo.—You have no doubt received the coin book from the publisher by this time. Concerning the coin mentioned in your letter I would suggest that you send me a good, clear rubbing of said coin might help you decide where it belongs, and its approximate value.

Q. When was the last gold dollar made in the United States? F. S.

A. The last gold dollar was coined in 1839.

Q. What is the highest medal awarded in the United States? H. G.

A. The Congressional Medal of Honor is the highest United States award that can be given to a soldier. Seventy-eight such medals were awarded during the World War, Sergeant York's being one of them.

Q. How much money was coined in the United States last year, exclusive of paper currency? K. T. Y.

A. The coinage for the fiscal year 1918 amounted to \$43,596,895.91, of which \$35,004,450 was silver, 4,136,163.90 was nickel, and \$4,456,282.01 was bronze. There was no gold coined during the fiscal year. Paper money to the amount of \$2,634,043,750 was printed by the government last year.

NAMES OF CITIES USING PRECANCELLS.

Manhattan, Kansas, used the 3rd Victory Precancelled.

Buffalo N. Y. used the 24 Aeroplane Percancelled up.

The dropped C type of Rochester N. Y. is a hard set to complete, the printer must have run out of C's and nowadays its hard to substitute.

Its odd that we have "Bridgeport" precancells, from two states, in Pennsylvania and Connecticut, though the latter often comes in bright colored type as well as black.

Akron Ohio takes the cake for types, it uses a figure 1 in "Ohio" occasionally instead of an I; the sets are very hard to complete, but are very pretty when completed.

The fellow who competes the cities of Wisconsin will have to hunt early and late, you have to slip up on them.

What does Maine use precancells on—Do they ship logs by parcel post?

Kentucky Precancells will be as scarce as Kentucky Colonels, now that the country has gone dry.

Donaldsville, Ga., is a new one on me, but it uses precancells just the same.

I take back all the things I've said about Indiana being slow, I've just seen a 11c precancell from Rushville, Indiana.

Moline, Ill., is the home of the tractor, it also has a precancel attracter in two types.

Pine Bluff, Arkansas uses precancells—can anybody tell me what kind of bluff stuff they use them on?

Oskosh by gosh, yes its a 9c from Wisconsin Rare? I'll say its as rare as the 9c of Marinette Wisconsin.

Chicopee, Mass., must have had an Indian village—there in the dim and distant past. Think of an Indian town using precancels.

Grafton West Virginia, will never be popular with the precancel fans because its too hard to get on the Grafton precancel wagon.

They have Red Bluffs out in California, and California and Arkansas could have a bluff fine together.

And last but not least, Pike, N. Y.—I've often wondered where the pikers came from.

Paw Paw, Mich., now you kids that holler for Paw Paws know where to find them.

H. S. DICKEY, "The Stamp Man." Newton, Kan.

SCRAPS OF PAPER.

The artist finds pleasure in the contemplation of colour and exquisite engraving in miniature, the romancist finds his facination in the stories stamps have to tell him, the educationalist finds his interest in the things he can learn from stamps, the sportsman finds it good sport to hunt for rare stamps at sporting prices, and to take sporting chances with new issues; the statesman (a very limited class this) puts great faith in these "scraps of paper," and the politician finds their adhesive qualities useful in retaining his seat.



PRIVATE MUSEUM NEAR MYSTIC, CONN.

The entire construction of this building, excavation, foundation, inside finish, tin work, roof, decorating and lettering were ALL personally performed by the owner, Chas. Q. Eldredge, in his seventy second year. Something over 3000 Souvenirs and Curios are on Exhibition, and to view them, his friends are ever welcome.

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COIN CLUB MEETING.

The eleventh monthly meeting of the Chicago Coin Club was held at the Bamboo Inn, Wednesday, February 4. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Boyer, Mr. and Mrs. Ripstra, Mr. and Mrs. Posephson, Mr. and Mrs. Leon, Mr. and Mrs. Davis, Miss Naerup, Messrs. Baumann, Carey, Dunham, Kelley, Lawless, Michael, and Van der Berghen. In place of the usual order of business, dinner was served.

After dinner Mrs. A. S. Boyer, Mrs. T. E. Leon, Mrs. L. Josephson, of Chicago, M. Sorensen, of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, and Walter H. McDonald, of Washington, D. C. were elected to membership. An application for membership was received from Jean Maunovry, of Akron, Ohio.

Mr. Dunham presented to those present copies of the Chicago Coin club bulletin, which he had written and mimeographed for the occasion.

The following exhibits were shown: By Mr. Leon, a copper proof set of the recent Australian issues, and a number of Mint medals, among which were Peace medals of Jefferson and Tyler, Presidential medals of Grant and Lincoln, and medals commemorating victories of Perry, Decatur, McDonald, Gaines and others.

By Mr. Lawless, a number of fine colonial coppers, among which were several from Vermont, Nova Constellatio of 1783 and 1785, and a Mott token.

By Mr. Davis, Spanish dollar, and fractional parts cut from one, Pine Tree Shilling, Annapolis Shilling, and Massachusetts cents and half cents.

By Mr. Kelley, 25 and 50 cent notes issued by Potter Palmer, set of State of Alabama notes, 5 cents to 50 dollars, and a one cent scrip note issued by Waldo C. Moore, of the People's Banking Co., Lewisburg, Ohio.

PHILATELY IN PERIODS.

The fact is the stamp hobby is being more and more cut up into periods. The philatelist to whom a too narrow field makes no appeal, now turns his attention to general collecting for a special period only:—the reign of Queen Victoria or King Edward; the nineteenth or twentieth century, the period of the Great War or the period of the Armistice, if such a period as the last name can be exactly defined. The most recent period of all may be defined as the post war Period, and, in the programme of a friend whom I have in mind at the moment of writing, it dates from the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of eleventh month of the year 1918. He, the friend in question, is striving manfully and I believe so far successfully, to secure every variety issued throughout the world from that date onwards. Rich man though he is, some of the "alarmistice" prices he has been called upon to pay for the productions of 1918-1919 have given him a sharp twinge in the region of the pocketbook.

A PLEA TO COLLECTORS OF INDIAN RELICS.

In ~~most~~ section of the country fully 90 per cent of all the Indian relics found were originally picked up as surface finds by non-collectors.

It is the a lamentable fact that too large per cent of these people are ~~not~~ even passively interested in them and are not in the least interested in their preservation as such.

I have found valuable specimens that had been revived by these non-interested finders of them.

Rare and delicate chipped specimens have been revived by some juvenile members of the family in his effort to strike fire from it.

Splendid specimens of workmanship have been picked up and cast away again by having been thrown at a passing bird or dog.

Many precious arrows have been ruthlessly broken in the small boy's effort to imitate the Indian archers.

Notwithstanding fine specimens of the polished stone art have been scattered beyond recognition by lying around the home to be used in cracking nuts or in driving nails or other objects when the implements for that purpose were not convenient.

I have not forgotten the old negro in southeast Missouri, who had found, many years before, a beautiful vase in one of the numerous mounds in that vicinity. But positively refused to sell it to a local collector because if he sold it he would have nothing to put his "Tobackey" in.

The conditions I have mentioned are familiar to all collectors who reside in the rural sections where relics are to be found.

The question that has been uppermost in my mind, relative to them, is how to prevent the destruction of the relics of a bygone race.

The plan I have adopted is as follows: I present my case to the editors of the country newspapers. Generally I find them in sympathy with the movement. If so, I then write one or more articles relative to Indian relics, where and how found, some features about them and the races who made and used them and for what purpose. Emphasize the fact that those destroyed are gone forever from future generations who will probably appreciate them more than we do. Finally I had them to preserve from destruction all that come their way. If they happen not to be interested in them themselves, preserve them that they may get into hands that care for them. I frankly tell them I am not pleading with them to save them for me, but to save them from destruction. I try to present the matter in a popular manner for if I do not the people for whom it is meant to reach, will not read it.

I think several small articles or articles of a "follow up" character better than one single appeal.

I find this condition to be the result, the country soon becomes full of amateur collectors. Perhaps only one out of twenty becomes a real collector, the other nineteen soon tire of them, they soon part with their small accumulation to the real collector, but they never become a destructionist again,

but the end has been met in that they become preservers and not destroyers of specimens. Other collectors may have their methods of preventing the destruction of relics by the non-collecting non-interested fellow who originally finds the specimen. But I have given you my method. My plea to fellow collectors is to adopt some practical method to meet this unfortunate condition and to push it for all it is worth.

I trust that what I have written in this article will be both helpful and suggestive. But get busy in your own locality.

J. M. BROOKS, Golden City, Mo.

COIN NOTES.

The 1920 Canadian cent in the old large size has just made its appearance. It is expected that the new cent of smaller size will appear in a very short time. This new piece has been in preparation for some time. The large coppers are to be withdrawn and reissued in the form of the new small pieces. This should make the 1920 large cent a scarce date.

The Governor General, Ton Chi Yao, of the Yuen Nan Province of Szechwan China, has recently issued new \$5 and \$10 gold pieces without the consent of the central Chinese government. The new coins bear the likeness of the governor general and the value is designated in Chinese characters. Efforts are said to have been made by the Peking government to suppress the issue but without success.

The recent issue of paper money by the Mexican government has met with a very poor reception in that country. Many persons refusing to accept it. This is no doubt due to the rapid depreciation experienced by many of the different issues during recent years. The country is very short on small change.

The new 2 peso Mexican gold issued during the last months of 1919 is now arriving in larger numbers on this side of the Rio Grande. It is not yet known whether or not the 1920 of this issue has been issued. The piece is a very attractive little coin and the 1919 cannot but fail to be a scarce piece considering the short time in which it was issued.

HAS COPPER CENT WHICH WAS OWNED BY LINCOLN

New Castle, Pa.,—Mrs. J. L. Underwood, of this city, has a copper cent bearing date 1818 which once was owned by Abraham Lincoln and was lost by him. She has refused \$250 for it. Mrs. Underwood found the coin while digging in a field near Lincoln City, Ind. She was informed by Joseph Gentry, an old resident, that the penny was one of four or five that Lincoln carried on a string. Lincoln had told Gentry of losing one of the coins. There is a hole in the penny through which the string was run.

THE OPENING OF THE HAZLETT MOUND.

With the opening of the Hazlett Mound in Licking county of our neighboring state of Ohio during the present month, some interesting and important additions were made to the store of scientific knowledge concerning the Mound Builders. The Hazlett Mound is in a center prehistoric quarrying and mound building done by a vanished race of people whose work and civilization is an interesting mystery to us. These imposing earthworks are constant reminders of those aboriginal people who at some prehistoric time inhabited the beautiful valley of the Ohio.

The Hazlett Mound was opened by Curator W. C. Mills and his assistants of the Ohio State University, which institution has been conducting an archaeological and historical investigation concerning these ancient people and their civilization.

This mound yielded up the burial place and crumbling bones of a great chief with his priceless decorations about him, among them a copper trinket which the scientists claim has established the identity of the mound builders of that particular section as being the same as all others in the surrounding parts of Ohio, namely—the Hopewell culture. This prize—a massive copper gorget—formed a head rest for the gigantic form of the dead chieftain. It was about eight inches long, in the form of the letter H, well preserved, and showed a remarkable workmanship which the scientists claim proves that a higher state of civilization existed among the mound builders than among the Indians who later inhabited the country.

The skeleton, also well preserved, was about six feet in length, which is somewhat taller than the average skeleton found in these mounds. On each side of the skull were found copper earrings about the size of silver dollars. Several other copper and shell ornaments were found about the skeleton together with remnants of woven fibre.

On the skull were bone growths indicating that the chief had been injured in mortal combat or in a severe accident.

All about were cut blocks of flint; and how these people did all this quarrying, excavating, and construction without the aid of explosives or steel tools is still an unsolved mystery.

Wonderful as this mound and its contents have proved to be, it is far surpassed by the great mound just in front of this prison from which this city takes its name. A history of this the greatest existing work of the mound builders will appear in an early issue of this magazine.—H. K. H.

A new issue of Mexican coppers in the denomination of 10 centavos and 20 centavo pieces are reported from Mexico. These, however, have not yet made their appearance north of the Rio Grande and nothing is yet known as to design or size.

PHILATELIC CHATTER.

(By ANDREW McKIE. T. P. S. etc.)

Philatelists have still to open up a new leaf in their albums, namely for the Turkish town named Rodosto. This town is situated 75 miles west of Constantinople and is on the shores of the Sea of Marmora. On the Greeks taken control of Rodosto, they issued four provisional stamps of the following values: 2 Paras violet, (Maury 33y) 5 Paras orange, (Maury 338) 5 Paras on 1 Paras red, (Maury 335) 2 Paras on 5 Paras on 1 Paras red (Maury 348). These stamps were overprinted with the Geneva Cross

A pictorial stamp has just reached me from the Indian state of Sikkim. The stamp is a square one, and shows a picture of one of the Great Himalayan Peaks and a large tree, with the following inscription, placed at the top and the bottom in English, "Sikkim State." One Auna, also in Hindustani at the sides, and is printed on unwaterman kid paper.

At a meeting of the London Stamp club held on Thursday, October 30, 1915, Mr. Percy C. Bishop made the following suggestion: "He thought (said P. C. B.) there ought to be some way of rewarding and paying honour to those who had ceaselessly worked for the advancement of our hobby, who had worked without thought of fee or reward, and often at great self-sacrifice. He thought there should be some world wide recognition for those whose research had helped to place and was keeping, Philately on the High Pedestal it was on today. There was a great amount of leeway to be made up, and probably from thirty to fifty awards would be required to make the scheme up to date, when this was done. The jury would probably make half-yearly awards according to nominations received. Mr. Bishop suggested that the Philatelic Order of Mint should, after the style of the Victoria Cross, be of no intrinsic value, but consist of a Diploma suitably printed and inscribed. This briefly was the idea Mr. P. C. Bishop put before the meeting. A committee has been set up, to deal with the question and fuller details will be made known latter.

For those interested in prices paid at the Auction sales held over here, I give the following:

Messrs Harmen, Rooks & Co.

Newfoundland, 1860, 4d Orange, vermillion unused, \$2.35.

Newfoundland, 1861, 5d Brownmint, sheet of 40, \$3.75, showing watermark.
Cambria, 1869, 4d imperf. fine, \$7.50.

Mr. H. R. Harmen's sale,

Bavaria 1867, 18 K mint block of 4, \$3.20.

France 1 Fr. orange, red. The rare vervelle, \$10.00.

Saxony, 3 pf. red, fine, \$10.00.

Baghdad, 1a and 20p (S. G. 14) Mint, \$3.75.

Newfoundland Air Post, 1 dollar on 15 cent mint sheet of 25, \$5.20.

CANADIAN NOTES.

(By FRANK S. THOMPSON.)

Walkerville is using the 10-cents precancelled in type H. Recently secured a 3-cent brown War Tax same type from this city.

Here's current 10-cents double normal, Toronto 10-cents type A, Calgary 3-cent brown, War Tax type H, and Vancouver 3-cents brown. War Tax cancelled are new precancels noted recently.

In going over a mixed lot recently I discovered a 5-cents gray, Scott's, The 18 precancelled in type O.

Postmaster J. D. Cox reports a unique precancel find, pair Toronto George 10-cents type A. inverted, one doubly overprinted, the other straight.

Advertisements advertising the 1919 Victory Loan are now appearing from all over Canada. Six different wordings are in use, and I have seen twenty-eight others, some using two and three wordings. Following is the list up to November 1st. "Buy Victory Bonds—All Canada is Your Security," Kelowna, Hal. Nelson, New Westminster, Peterboro, Prince Albert, Regina, Saskatoon, Toronto, Winnipeg. "Buy Victory Bonds—Every Dollar Spent in Canada," Edmonton, Port Arthur, Winnipeg. "Victory Loan 1919—The Bridge from War to Peace," Brandon, Calgary, Halifax, Moose Jaw, Toronto, Winnipeg, Woodstock. "Let us not Demobilize Patriotism—Buy Victory Bonds," Fort William, Fredericton, Lethbridge, London, Montreal, Ottawa, Regina, St. Prairie, Saskatoon, Sault Ste Marie, Victoria. "Keep our Farms and Factories Busy—Buy Victory Bonds," Strathcona Sta. Edmonton, Toronto, Vancouver. "Souscrivons au emprunt la Victoire 1919." (Subscriptions to the Victory Loan 1919) Montreal only.

DELIVER SILVER COINED IN 1891.

A sack of one thousand silver dollars just delivered to a San Francisco bank has been in the vault of the subtreasury since the day the coins were minted, October 21, 1891. The bank figures that if the money had been drawing interest from the date it was coined the sack would now be worth \$3,000 instead of \$1,000.

It is a well-known fact that the presence of very small quantities of foreign substances is likely to change the qualities of metals and their alloys materially. Gold is no exception to this rule. Admixture with foreign substances often makes it brittle, while otherwise it is the most malleable and ductile among the metals. Even if alloyed with pure copper, gold shows these undesirable qualities and such an alloy cannot be used for the manufacture of jewelry, for the coming of metals, or for other industrial purposes.

NIBBLES FROM THE PHILATELIC PRESS.

(By ANDREW McKIE, T. P. S.)

All publications for Review should be sent to Andrew McKie, 21 Skirving Street, Glasgow, Scotland.)

A copy of a new Finnish Stamp Journal, namely The Suomen Postimerkkikokous, has just reached me. Not being conversant with the language, I can only read the illustrations of the Finnish and Abessian stamp, which this number contains.

From that new Republic of Czecho-Slovakia, I have been favored with a copy of the Wellpost Echo, which contains an interesting article, by Max Ouch, entitled, "Truth from the Czecho-Slovakian Republic from which the following extract is taken:

"Rules for the deliverance of letters and documents by the Czech Scouts."

The Czech Scouts in the service of the 'Narodne' 'Vijbor' are authorized by their club to forward the letter and documents entrusted to them and are responsible for them.

The 'receptor must acknowledge the receipt of every letter either in the envelope which is taken back or in a book of receipt.

All the letters delivered by scouts must be the postage stamps of the country.

For the acknowledgement of the receipt a special postmark was made in which the date as well as the name of the Scouts is indicated.

Prague, November 7th 1918.

Stamps of the Narodni Vijbor

Signed, Dr Pavlassek

For the Commander of The Scouts

Signed, Rosslet—O'roosky, 1 Svojsk, etc.

There were two postage stamps issued, 10 little one in blue and 20 little ones in red for letters. The upper part of the stamp bears the inscription, "Posta Ceskych Skantie," the lower part, "Ve Sluzbach Narodni Vlady. The middle represents, The Bohemian Lion, with the value of theirs on either side. The stamps are perforated.

Niagara Falls has appeared precancelled in type H. Have seen the cents both normal and inverted.

Every collector should find an occasion opening for useful propaganda work—and every non-philatelist is a potential convert.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

(By INVICTUS.)

In 1914 the new issues added to the stamp catalogs numbered 1,286, due chiefly to changes made in the watermarks of the British Colonies. However, the year 1919 has surpassed this record owing to the many new varieties caused by the war upheaval.

In writing on values of the New Europe an authority on these says: "It is yet too early to set more than a tentative value on most of the stamps now flooding the world, but within a few years these will begin to respond to a law of supply and demand as inexorable as any that ever regulated the price of a useful commodity."

Collectors who have access to wholesale lists often imagine the dealer makes a huge profit. Do they ever stop to figure the percentage of cost in damaged copies the retailer has to throw away? Any dealer knows the loss in the manner is enormous as nearly all wholesale lots are put up regardless of condition.

Regardless of the large number of new issues, some collectors are peeved because Great Britain and several other countries have imitated that they will not issue a stamp to celebrate the conclusion of peace. Canada has issued her share of "new issues" since the war started but Canadian Philatelists think just one more is needed—an eight cent stamp for registration of letters with a design symbolic of peace.

One of the large dealers informed the writers recently that the demand for German stamps was almost nil but the Austrians were becoming more in demand. In one week they sold one lot of Germans, three of Bulgaria, five of Turkey and thirty-three of Austria, all before the war issues.

THE VARIED INTERESTS IN STAMPS.

Everybody does not collect stamps, but that is no reason why everybody should not collect. Stamp collecting is a hobby for everybody. It appeals to Princes of the Blood, to Sovereigns of the Bradbury (or should it be Fisher), to the New Poor, and the poor Rich. It is the most catholic of all hobbies. It has its special appeal to everyone. If your interest is not tickled by the crudities of Greek border Mauritius, you can perhaps admire the anatomy of the Laibach giant. Or perhaps you would wish to "shake hands with murder" and specialise in Bolshevik issues. Even a conscientious objector (whatever that may be) can't conscientiously object to collecting stamps, although it does help governments to collect useful revenues.

NUMISMATICS.

(Edited by L. A. CARDWELL, Las Cruces, New Mexico)

This department is conducted solely in the interest of our readers. All are asked to contribute articles, ask questions, send clippings, etc., as freely and as often as you will. Remember things that seem trivial to you may be of the greatest interest to others. Publishers are invited to send copies for mention.

To every collector it is essential to possess a library, no matter how small, resting on the hobby you are interested in. If you happen to live in a large city, your public library may contain books of numismatic interest and many magazines and publications, found in the reading room, contain from time to time splendid articles on numismatic topics. But at the best this is not enough. The books become stale, and the papers in the reading room soon vanish. The books and papers are not your property, and you can not take them home and study the articles of interest to you at your leisure. Therefore you must have some books, which you can call your own.

In our own country, where the study of numismatics is comparatively new, the numismatic literature is as a consequence not very plentiful. This is different, however, in the older countries of Europe, and in those countries may be found a wealth of literature on numismatics. England has quite an array of works to her credit, but the greatest number of books on numismatic subjects are written in the French and German languages.

From the well known dealer, J. Schulman, I have just received his catalogue, No. LXXIV, containing over 800 numbers of numismatic books. The title of the catalogue is "Livres Numismatiques" (Numismatic Books), and there may be found books, dealing on numismatic subjects in any country and period. The catalogue is written in French, and the greater part of the books mentioned are in that language or German. Many are in Dutch, and quite a number in English, Spanish, Italian, Scandinavian, etc. This fact, however, need not prevent any one from buying and enjoying a book. If you are fairly well versed in a cosmopolitan language, such as English is, you will not have much difficulty with a book in French, Dutch or Danish.

The works mentioned in this catalogue may be had at a very reasonable price.

There is another book, which I would like to recommend to collectors, and that is the "Annual Report of the Director of the Mint." This book, last report 300 pages, nicely bound, contains a vast amount of interesting information, not obtainable elsewhere, and it may be had for the asking. Write the Director of the Mint, Treasury Department, Washington, D. C., asking for the annual mint report, 1919.

Not long ago I read a press story, which ran something like this:

When the Mexican bandit, Villa, was in the zenith of power in northern Mexico, an American mining firm, doing business there, was robbed of everything of value. Whatever property could not be carried off, was destroyed.

And the firm would practically have been ruined, had they not taken the following recourse: They had a St. Louis printer turn out for them notes to the face value of a million pesos, and in imitation of the Villa issues. This stuff was taken to Mexico and with it the firm bought horses, mules, cattle provisions—anything that could be bought—and this was shipped to the United States.

If this story is true, I just happened to think, many of the so-called "Villa notes" now sold as souvenirs of the latest revolution in Mexico, must be counterfeits.' But after all, does it make any difference whether the bills were printed in St. Louis or the city of Chihuahua?

We are all more or less familiar with the bills in low denominations, which Uncle Sam issues for our use. The denominations above one hundred dollars are not so well known for good and sufficient reasons. There are four denominations above one hundred—500, 1000, 5000, and 10,000 dollar bills.

In the fifteenth century, B. C., one ounce of silver was worth ten ounces of gold in Arabia. It is also known that in India in the latter part of the sixth century B. C. the relative value of silver and gold was one to four, in favor of silver.

Gold bars valued at more than \$2,000,000 were recently shipped from New York to the National Bank of India for the purpose of establishing exchange.

Travelers leaving Germany can take with them only 50 mark in German money, but any amount of foreign money they may be in possession of.

Russian paper money, says a returned soldier, is being made of a poor quality of paper, such as that used in American newspapers. It varies in size from a postage stamp to a foot square and wears out in a short time. The value runs up and down. A ruble is now worth only a few cents, while before the war it was worth 51 cents. It comes in all sizes, and it is printed in all possible and impossible colors. It is the queerest mess of money any country ever had.

Uncle Sam's coining factories are busy places these years. During the fiscal year ending June 30th, 1919, the different mints netted the government

a profit of \$8,367,971, and of this sum \$4,136,700 was profit on coining nickel and bronze money.

Never in the history of the country has there been such a demand for small change. Of 1-cent pieces there was coined during the fiscal year 1898, 889,600, weighing no less than 3,200.00 pounds.

The melting of silver dollars was one of the great jobs at the mints. 191,000,000 silver dollars were melted down to bars. The greater part of this silver, or 200,000,000 ounces fine, was sold to England for coinage in India.

Money was coined at our mints for Peru, Argentina, Nicaragua and other countries.

Russia coined platinum from 1826 to 1855, in denominations of 3, 6, and 12 roubles. The venture was abandoned on account of the hardness of the metal. Either one of these coins could be bought for a few dollars some years ago; now they bring something like \$100.00 apiece.

The city of Reval in Esthonia might have celebrated its 700 anniversary in June, 1919. The city was founded by the Danish king Valdemar Sejr (Valdemar the Victorious) after the battle with the heathen Esthonians. It was at this battle that Dannebrog, the Danish flag fell from heaven according to the old legend. Esthonia is an old Danish province, and the city of Reval was built around the old Danish stronghold. The name of the province in Danish is Estland (Eastland), and the Esthonian name for Reval is "Tallium," which means "The Danish City." The official seal of Reval is to this day the old Danish seal—three lions in a field. On coins struck for or for the city has Dannebrog been one of the conspicuous designs even down toward modern times.

PAPER FARTHINGS IN USE IN LONDON.

Paper "notes" representing five-shilling pieces and half-crowns have been talked about in London, and the former if not the latter are said to be stored in the archives of the Treasury ready for issue if deemed necessary.

Paper or cardboard farthings have, however, already made their appearance in the London suburbs. They are in the form of brown millboard, of the same size as a penny piece, and in the center is printed "Voucher Representing 1-4d. Change," with the name and address of the tradesman issuing them around the edge.

They are issued by a firm of bakers to meet the shortage and "nuisance" of proper bronze farthings, but it would not be surprising to see the custom taken up by other tradesmen.

RAMBLES OF SHELLS.

(By ALFRED O. PHILIPP, of Iowa and Illinois.)

To the man or woman of zoological bent, who also likes to collect objects of beauty, the collection of shells offers a hobby interesting beyond compare. Now the promiscuous collecting of old shells thrown in a jumbled mass in musty drawers or carelessly strewn upon the parlor mantlepiece. But the intelligent accumulation of good clean specimens neatly arranged in a cabinet or showcase, and properly classified and labeled.

Many boys and young men are diligently studying taxidermy with a view to accumulating a large collection of zoological specimens. This practise is not to be encouraged for our wild life is vanishing far too fast before the advances of civilization to permit the wanton and unnecessary destruction of a single creature, pests excepted. And we may thank our stars that the old fashioned collector of birds—eggs has passed into obllvian, for today his hobby would justly be considered the height of vandalism.

But shell collecting! Here the nature lover may gratify his passion for collecting without fear of unduly upsetting the balance of nature, for in the seas and rivers natures' children are especially prolific, and in most cases a thousand shells, more or less, means but little in nature's scheme of perfection.

That shell collection has not attained more prominence as a hobby is due to various causes. But the principal reason, I believe, is because the education of most people is sadly deficient in matters pertaining to natural history, and it is a fact that at least some knowledge of conchology is necessary to derive any pleasure from the pursuit, and the collector must at least take an intelligent interest in this branch of zoology or the novelty of merely having one shell in one's possession will soon wear off.

Considerable fault may also be ascribed to some dealers who do not classify their shells properly and label them, and in some cases are even in ignorance as to where the shells were found. Can you imagine a person deriving any enjoyment from stamp collecting if he did not know the denomination of the stamps he had collected, or the country they represent.

The possibilities of conchology are practically unlimited and there is ample room for specializing if a person is so inclined. Take the case of the family murex for instance. There are 180 varieties of this shell, and they are found in nearly all parts of the globe, in many forms, sizes and colors. Of cowries here are about 200 varieties. Then take the bivalve. In 1912, in Narragansett Bay, Rhode Island, I collected no less than 80 species of the bivalves. Of fresh water bivalves, over 500 species are found in the U. S. And as to sizes there is the evertigo gouldi, which is no larger than a pinhead, to the giant clam (tridacna gigas) which is the largest shell known, and which sometimes attains the weight of 500 pounds.

To me geography is one of the chief elements of interest in nearly everything I collect, and I therefore arrange my shells geographically, each locality by itself and the shells from Florida, California and Mexico placed off separately. However, nearly every person has ideas of his own as to the subject, and a good way to obtain ideas is to study the shell collections in the Museum of Natural History if you are fortunate enough to be across near one.

As to the classification of the shells you find yourself. You can undoubtedly procure some books upon the subject from your public library. Two of the best books I know and which should be in the private library of every shell collector are "Sea Beach at Hobbs' Bay" by Augustus P. Arnold and "The Shell Book" by Julia Ellen Rogers.

The object used to which shells have been put by man could consider a large volume; thus only a few of them can be mentioned. Lamps, for example, China, tea windows and skylights in many of the houses are made of thin plates of translucent shells or plates of mother-of-pearl, from which it derives its name of "mother shell." It is also used to a greater extent in the windows of some of the residences in the Philippines.

Shells have been used as money, especially in the Pacific. The two Pacific coasts, the Atlantic shells have been used as money by the natives and used as a medium of exchange. On the Atlantic coast the shell of one species having naturally two round, strong and equal sides, was used as a medium of exchange among the natives who used it for trading with one another, and also for and later with paying the natives for English goods.

The same species of shell produced the mother-of-pearl from which the Chinese, as long as 1750, is said to have been made and it is used to the extent of Japan, thus obtaining one part of a mother-of-pearl. The mother-of-pearl from Japan, China, India, etc., is sometimes sold for as much as gold and from China to Japan.

The same species of shell, which is of enormous size, is used for one thing, about 100 to 200, and can be made into all kinds of articles, as for example, buttons, shell pens, etc. While the natives used these same valuable shells, a few specimens can be purchased from any dealer in the Pacific. The shells make and trade with, and are of the great value, especially as regarded by those who love and the property of the natives, and many of the specimens. Therefore, as before saying these are not some articles and as there are pointers and collectors who to compare with the others.

In the fishing maritime of the world, shell-pearl among the principal products, this refers of course to the western coast and pearl shells and not to the large collections in the museum, etc. In London the value of pearl shells, or mother-of-pearl amounts to £2,000,000 each year and over £1,000,000 worth is brought into this country annually, aggregating about 1,000,000 tons and furnishing employment to thousands of persons. It is estimated that about 8,000 persons are employed in working pearl shell in Australia, 5,000 in England, 4,000 in France, 3,500 in America and thousands more in various

other countries. The most abundant shells in this country are those of mussels and clams, 30,000,000 bushels being produced annually.

To Be Continued.

OVERPRINT 3-CENT ENVELOPES.

Millions Were on Hand When 2-Cent Postage Rate Was Resumed.

Boston Transcript says: On July 1, 1919, when the postage was reduced from 3 cents to 2 cents, a vast amount of 3-cent stamped envelopes and 2-cent postal cards were in stock in each of the large postoffices of the country.

The postmaster general decided to salvage the outstanding unsold 3-cent stamped envelopes by having them overprinted and revalued at 2 cents. The envelopes are being overprinted for three reasons—to conserve, during the present depleted condition of paper stocks throughout the country, a large quantity of paper which would otherwise be wasted; to save the cost of manufacture of many millions of envelopes; to provide the public with stamped envelopes promptly during the existing shortage which is due to an unprecedented demand.

The Boston postoffice recently commenced to overprint the envelopes by running them through the canceling machines which had been equipped with a special die to imprint the figure "2" in the center of the 3-cent stamp.

Way says: Things in this Branded Island in stamps are quiet just now. End of December saw the last of the War stamps, but before issue was made a new plate seems to have been made, which makes the stamps somewhat lighter. All errors were also eliminated from same. This, however, seems to have been only made for old value as there is no change in the rate. In January the P. Office refused to allow War stamps to be used any longer as postage, but taxed all letters to which they were affixed for that purpose; however, on complaints being made, they were forced to cancel these or redeem them from holders.

Bahamas is still using Wars. and have not yet issued their Victory set.

MEXICO TRIES PAPER MONEY AGAIN.

Paper money is in circulation in Mexico for the first time since 1916, according to press reports from Mexico City in January. This was made possible by a decree issued by President Carranza, authorizing the Monetary Commission to issue certificates of 1 peso and 50 centavos, the amounts to be issued being limited to deposits of Mexican gold made with the Commission. This measure was designed to relieve the shortage of change due to the hoarding of small coins on account of their high silver content.

FIREARMS NOTES.

(By GEORGE J. REMSBURG, Porterville, Calif.)

S. Douglas, of Oklahoma City, recently presented to the Oklahoma Historical society one of the earliest patterns (No. 906) Colt's revolvers, found in his garden patch in that city. The weapon is a "six-shot, full brass mount."

After driving over what he thought was a rock in the road near his home, at Camarillo, Calif., for several months, J. Lytle, a rancher recently investigated and discovered the "rock" to be a loaded four-inch muzzle loading cannon, of the type used in the Civil War. The cannon will be donated to the Southwest Museum at Los Angeles.

A dealer sends us the following purporting to be from a Clarence, California, newspaper, but we have been unable to find a town of that name in the postal directory or in any California guide:

At the Clarence Home Coming this week there will be on exhibition the pistols used in the duel between Alexander Hamilton and Aaron Burr over 100 years ago, according to a phone message yesterday from a Clarence friend. These pistols are owned by a lady who bought them about 80 years ago. They have a considerable historic value. In this most famous of American duels, Hamilton was killed, he firing his pistol into the air and Burr's into being good."

A shotgun used in the Battle of Bunker Hill 1775 and the Battle of New Orleans, in 1815, has been presented to the State Historical Society at Columbia, Mo., by P. J. Hainey of Barnard, Mo. It is an old model muzzle loader, 49 1/2 inches long, with a 43-inch barrel. It has the same lock, stock and barrel used at Bunker Hill, and though much worn can still shoot. On the stock is attached a tallow and patch box which was used to grease the balls when loaded in the gun.

One of the most interesting relics of the war was the one brought back by Carl Fischer of the 313th Ammunition Train," notes the Liberty Advance. It is a German message shell. It is a long one and divided into two compartments. The front part is a regular shrapnel shell and the back part carries the message. By the process of timing the message part the shell is detached from the shrapnel at any desired point and the Germans used to fire these shells from well back of their front line, and time them so that the message would drop in their front lines while the shrapnel went on to do damage in the Allied trenches. It is said the Allies knew nothing about these shells until after the armistice was signed."

A "Special" from Hutchinson, Kans., says: "Guns which were used by Jesse James and "Bob" Dalton are included in a collection of 500 weapons

belonging to F. P. Cahill, a butcher here. "Every man has his hobby and firearms is mine," explains Cahill. The collection includes death instruments dating back to the sixteenth century, and the tragedies brought about by many of them would fill many books to recount. Cahill likes to tell how he acquired his collection in travels over the world.

Jesus Christ, the famed outlaw, gave a gun to a lifelong friend, J. Neithardt, of Ketchikan City, Neb., and this Mr. Cahill purchased. Whenever Cahill has heard of a famous outlaw or robbery, Mr. Cahill has tried to secure some of the weapons used until he now has enough to equip an army of his own. A long look in the collection was taken by the Wichita police force from "Doc" Dallas just prior to the Coffeyville raid. An Egyptian rat-tail gun used in the early part of the nineteenth century, one of the first double barreled shotguns, a musket loader carried in the Revolutionary war, a gun whose witness testified John Cady carried about the Kansas Prairies—these are but a few from the collection. Cahill started his collection when he was in the Philippines during the Spanish-American war. "Whenever I go anywhere I always take a few good things and always stop and pick up the good. I never stop until I have what I get there, and I don't want to say any of this once I leave," Cahill says.

COIN CLIPPINGS.

The following clipping from the Philadelphia Record of January 25, 1907, is interesting and shows how some coins have been used in the past.

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Bargains in Relics and Curios. West Exchange Column

Thad S. Wilson

Muncie Indiana

Slightly blemished stone grooved Indian axes at \$5.00 per doz., bird stone clapped on tail and not holed otherwise fine at \$15.00., 4-inch banded slate bannerstone perfect a gem at \$7.50., rare 2-inch banded slate tube perfect at \$4.00; 1 1/2-inch double axe shaped bannerstone fine at \$6.00; 5-inch polished stone chisel fine at \$3.50; 3 1/2-inch stone chisel fine at \$2.50; 2-inch high polished cone a gem at \$5.50; 5-inch banded slate gorget fine at \$3.00; 5-inch highly polished countersunk gorget a gem at \$3.50; 4 1/2-inch red and green slate pendant fine at \$2.50; 4-inch stone pendant with record notches v fine at \$2.50; 5 1/2-inch slate gorget with record notches at \$2.00.

I have a fine collection of old colonial grease lamps, sperm oil lamps, tallow dips candlesticks, snuffers, etc., (write for prices.)

CIVIL WAR CARBINES.

Turnside, 1862, \$3.50, Sharp, 1859, \$3.50; Rosslyn, 1862, \$3.50; Sharp & Hankins, 1859, \$4.00, Smith, 1857, \$3.00; Maynard, 1859, \$2.50, Maynard tape lock, \$3.50; these are all in very good repair with exception of a few weak springs but good showy relics of civil war and very cheap.

With projectile shot and 10 bullets from battle of LookOut Mt., he lot for \$1.50.

Stave hand cuffs at \$1.00; Civil war hand grenades with paper guilder (rare) at \$1.50; civil war leather saddlebags, at \$1.00; civil war pill bags, at \$1.00; civil war horsepack, at 75 cts; civil war canvas bag, at 75 cts; civil war artillery bag, very fine at \$2.00; colonial flax hetchels, at 75 cts; colonial candle moulds, at 75 cts; colonial brass 24-inch shelf clocks all repaired and running order, at \$7.50; Mastodon tooth weight, 3 1/4 lbs., at \$3.00; antelope hides, at \$1.00; iron candlestick and tin snuffers, at \$1.50; old brass boxes used to hold people in early times, \$1.00; U. S. Senate impeachment of then president, April 8th, 1868, gallery ticket, \$1.00; at \$2.00; civil war discharge, 1860, at 75 cts; Confederate \$1000.00 bonds, numerous attached at 50 cts; old papers and letters for sale very cheap. Ben Hur, a tale of Christ by Lew Wallace, raised second for the blind to read, at \$1.50.

A lot of old furniture, sewing tables, chairs, mirrors, old imported French gold and hand painted desks and pedestals, brass goods of all kinds; as candlesticks, 10 foot stools, etc., old china and porcelain, copper and silver luster, rare old bronzes, a large assortment of rare old swords, U. S. and oriental, spinning wheels and reels, antlers and horns, minerals, crystals, fossils and sea shells, American pottery and books on all subjects. Write me your wants.

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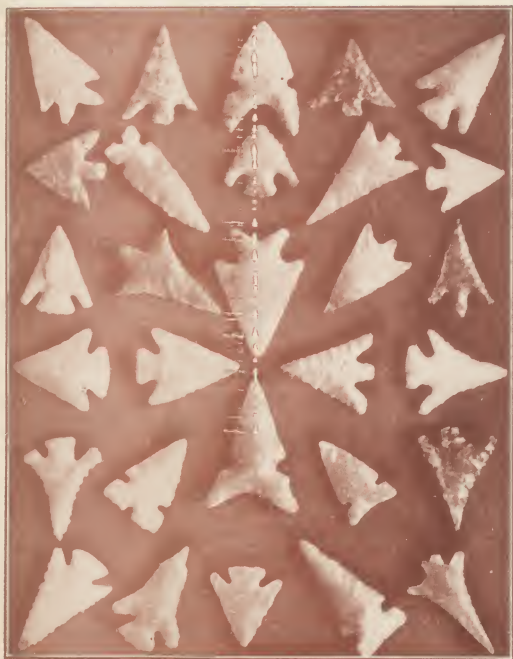
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20c Inland exchange	.01	.02	5.00 Conveyance	.09	.10
25c Bond	.05	.06	5.00 Manifest	1.00	1.25
25c Certificate01	5.00 Mortgage	.45	.50
25c Entry of goods	.05	.06	5.00 Probate of will	.40	.45
25c Insurance	.01	.02	10.00 Mortgage	.75	1.00
25c Life insurance	.08	.10	10.00 Probate of will	.75	1.00
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THE PRINTER APOLOGIZES.

This appearance of The Philatelic West will undoubtedly be hailed with
delight by its many readers—delight that their ads are being printed and
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COLLECTOR! KNOW YOUR STAMPS

When writing up an issue in the album most of us have experienced that irritating feeling caused by an elusive memory of having read or seen a paragraph or article relating to those particular stamps, yet being quite unable to recall either book, page or magazine in which such details were published. Yet if we would collect information as well as stamps, in other words, if we would be philatelists, and not mere "space fillers," it is essential that all the information within our reach can be readily found for use.

To this end I have adopted the plan of indexing my stamp literature by means of a card index. The principles of this system are too well known to need description here, but it might be helpful to say a few words regarding the method of indexing. Instead of using all white cards it will be found more convenient to employ cards of several different colours, and to divide the various subjects accordingly. Thus: New Issues British Empire could be indexed on white cards; New Issues Foreign on blue cards; special articles on specified countries on red cards, and so on. By this means it will be quite easy to turn up any particular subject or issue in a few minutes.

Regarding the question of expense—no small item in these days—this can be kept very well if the index is home-made, as is that of the writer. To begin with, obtain 25 pieces of cardboard, size $6\frac{1}{2}$ in. by $4\frac{1}{2}$ in., and divide each piece into five equal parts lengthways. These divisions will indicate the positions of the tabs, which should be about $\frac{1}{2}$ in. deep and $1\frac{1}{4}$ in. wide, and lettered from A to Z—X, Y and Z occupying one card. Next, get a supply of foolscap paper as used for typing, and which can be purchased in various colours at a low cost. Cut each sheet in half, and again fold down the centre, making a page $6\frac{1}{2}$ in. by 4 in. This will give four pages for indexing, which will prove ample for all ordinary subjects, and the stack of folded sheets will spread fan-shape at the folds, thus facilitating reference. The index is now complete, ready for use.

Perhaps it will be contented that such elaboration is not required, and that it will make a burden of a pleasure, but my experience has shown quite the opposite effect. A few minutes after the perusal of a new magazine will be quite sufficient to keep the index up-to-date, and its usefulness will be proved on many occasions when working on one's collection.—Stamp Lover.

ARCHITECTURE IN PHILATELY.

Considerable notice is taken of specialized collections of portraits, zoological, naval and other familiar subjects, but one rarely, if ever, hears of a collection of architectural subjects. In studying the stamps of the British Empire one finds quite a fair number dealing with different types of architecture in our Colonies. The first in rank of interest are the issues of Egypt. Here one finds the Sphinx and Pyramid in nearly every type up to the end and including 1906. The 1914 types show many gems of ancient Egyptian architecture, amongst which one finds the Colossi of Thebes, Pylon of Karnak Temple, Luxor and Rock Temples of Abu Simbel, and then of later dates, Ras-el-Tin Palace, Alexandria; Citadel, Cairo and the Assuan Dam.

Individual structures are shown on the 5c., Quebec Tercentenary Issue of Canada, 1908, in the Champlain's House, Quebec; St. Helena; 1903, ½d., Government House; Kedah, issue of 1912, \$2 Council Chamber; Tonga, 1897, 3d., Prehistoric trilith; South Australia, 1899, G. P. O., Adelaide.

One also finds many interesting views of ports, towns, etc., such as Brunei, 1908, View of Brunei River (showing dwellings); Canada, Quebec Tercentenary Issue, 1908, 10c. View of Quebec in 1700; Dominica, 1903, View of Dominica from the sea; Tasmania, 1900, 2d., View of Hobart; Zanzibar, 1908-9, View of Port. One might almost include amongst these the famous Sydney Views.

Other architectural features are found in the Bahamas issue of 1901-10, 1d., Queen's Staircase near Nassau; Barbados, 1906, Monument to Nelson and the Lighthouse, shown in the Life Insurance Dept. stamps of New Zealand.

Amongst the "Foreign Countries" one may find many interesting subjects—the United States, Germany, several French Colonies, and other countries.

The War and Neuropo stamps also contribute towards this subject—Mesopotamia '18, Belgium '15, Fiume '19, Czecho-Slovakia '19, etc.

A collection of all these stamps would make a most interesting display of the world's architecture.—Stamp Lover.

The seventeenth monthly meeting of the Chicago Coin club was held at the Hotel Sherman, Chicago, Wednesday, July 7, 1920. Those present were Mrs. Ripstra, Messrs. Baumann, Boyer, Brown, Davis, Dunham, Jonas, Lawless, Leon, Rawson, Ripstra and Thomas.

The meeting was called to order by the President. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. The Treasurer's report was read and placed on file. The Chairman of the Convention committee reported that things were moving along in fine shape. Mr. Dunham, Chairman of the Bulletin committee made his report, in which he nominated R. E. Davis and M. P. Carey as his associate members. Mr. Dunham will act as Editor, assisted by the following Department editors, Mrs. A. S. Boyer, Non-metallic money, Sigmund Krausz, Ancient money, H. T. Wilson, Modern Gold coins and medals, John Kelley, Modern Silver coins and medals. Fred Michael, Modern Copper coins and medals. Messrs. Luttenberger, Jonas, Josephson, Brown and Blumenschein were appointed to act as reporters.

Mr. Seymour Morris of Chicago and Mr. Fred Flieder of Seattle were elected to membership.

The Bulletin was passed around, and the leading article, "Medals and coins issued by the Coin Clubs of Chicago," written by R. E. Davis was read. Mr. Dunham was given a rising vote of thanks for the untiring effort he has shown in promoting the interests of the club.

The exhibits were as follows, by Mr. Brown, two pieces of Swedish plate money, half dollar denominations, dated 1731 and 1758.

By Mr. Thomas, silver dollar of 1851.

By Mr. Boyer, silver bars from Annam and Japan.

By Mr. Lawless, Carolina gold dollar, by A. Betchler.

By Mr. Jonas, very fine second bronze of Nero, temple of Jesus on the reverse.

By Mr. Rawson, gold dollars, 1856, D. mint, and 20000 Reis in gold of Portugal, bt struck in Brazil, dated 1727.

By Mr. Leon, 20 denars in gold of Serbia, and 3 and 5 rouble pieces of Russia.

By Mr. Davis, a number of Colonial copper coins.

WAR STAMP WORTH \$10,000.

Allies Captured and Reissued a Single 1-Mark Copy in Togoland
From the Manchester Guardian.

The outstanding examples of rare wartime postage stamps are found among those of the former German colonies, seized by the British or French expeditionary forces and reissued with the addition of an imprint denoting the new order of things. When the British and French troops invaded Togoland on August 7, 1914, the German officials hastily removed their stocks of stamps inland and hid them in some dried up wells. Their whereabouts were revealed to the British authorities and the stamps recovered, to the face value of about \$20,000, were adapted for use under the conjoint administration by over printing them with "Togo-Anglo-French Occupation" or its equivalent in French. Of certain values the quantities found were small. Of the 50-pfennig stamp there were but twenty-four copies available, and they are valued today at \$500 each. The thirty-two known specimens of the 2-mark stamp are worth \$600 each, while \$5,000 each has been offered for the 3-mark and 5-mark denominations, of which but two copies of each exist.

It is in the French series, over printed "Occupation Franco-Anglaise" at the Catholic Mission, Lome, Togoland, that the rarest of all war stamps occurs. No "mark" values had been included in the original French issue, but in the latter part of 1914 a few were unearthed. They comprised a single 1-mark German colonial stamp, seven of the 2-mark, two of the 3-mark and three of the 5-mark. The mark stamp is valued by experts today at \$10,000.

Following the seizure of Samoa by an expedition from New Zealand in August, 1914, German stamps were overprinted with the initials "G. R. I." and new values in British currency. Owing, it is said, to the employment of a half-caste compositor whose acquaintance with the English language was of the slightest, the first supply of one-mark stamps to receive this imprint all bore the superscription "1 shillings." The 1-shilling stamps correctly overprinted are worth \$625 and the errors not more than a third of that sum.

At Rabaul, the capital of German New Guinea, the stamps seized on the Australian occupation, were pressed into service to meet the immediate postal requirements after being over printed with the royal cipher and values in pence and shillings at a temporary print-

ing office set up in a mission schoolroom. Current quotations place the mark denominations of this series at \$500 each.

Many rare war stamps were issued in Bagdad after its capture by General Maude's army in 1917. The Turks had destroyed all the stamps in the G. P. O. before their retirement, but by a thorough search of the smaller agencies an assortment of old and new Turkish stamps were brought together and over printed with "Bagdad in British Occupation." The work was laboriously carried out with the aid of a somewhat primitive press and badly worn type. A complete set of Bagdad stamps is now worth something like \$1,500, although at the time it could have been bought at about \$1.75.

The old, old question: "How is it that collectors when selling are told to value their stamps at $\frac{1}{4}$ to 1-6 catalogue, but when buying are told not to expect to buy at under $\frac{1}{2}$ catalogue? Does not this disparity between the value of a stamp when buying compared with when selling tend to discourage collectors?"

The whole basis of this question is this: What are the stamps you want to buy or sell? If you want to sell common and generally unpopular medium and common stamps, you will certainly not get more than $\frac{1}{4}$ to 1-6 catalogue for them. On the other hand, it is absurd to suggest that this class of stamp cannot be bought at less than $\frac{1}{2}$ catalogue. It can be bought at $\frac{1}{4}$ to 1-6 catalogue (according to what it is), for proof of which one only has to look at the advertisements in any philatelic journal. Common and unpopular stamps are offered cheap always, and because they are common and cheap the collector cannot expect to sell them except at a big discount off catalogue. But—and it's a big "but" —if you want to buy or sell good stamps—i.e. better class British Colonials, fine old Europeans, fine old imperfs., rare war stamps, Etc., you cannot buy at half catalogue (not unless they are dirty, thinned, or defective,) whilst if you have this class of goods to sell, and your specimens are fine, you can demand (and get) anything from $\frac{1}{2}$ catalogue to over full catalogue, according to condition. A rule that might well be applied to buying and selling is: Common and unpopular stamps will have to be sold at a loss; good and rare stamps will bring your money back, whilst really fine things in superb condition will show a profit. —Stamp Collecting.

PHILATELY IN 1895.

Many changes have taken place in the philatelic world during the past twenty-five years. A bound copy of the 1895 volume of a well-known stamp paper—still being published—together with personal recollections of twenty-five years ago, when I was a keen collector, and, whisper it not in Gath, already an amateur dealer, bring home to me how much stamp-collecting has altered.

Year by year the change has been gradual, but, jumping from 1895 to the present year of grace, and reviewing the quarter of a century as a whole, he realizes what a big alternation has taken place. Obviously, I think, the greatest change, or at least the one that has made the greatest difference to our hobby, is the abnormal advance in prices, a factor that has induced hundreds to become collectors and dealers.

Twenty-five years ago philately was to a great extent, a winter hobby with the result that advancing prices had a chance to more or less simmer down during the summer months. Now-a-days they emulate the Russian Bolos and advance every day. Then, as now, competition was keen in the Auction-rooms, but more collectors attended the sales and dealers did not command the capital they do now, which enables them to sweep the board of all choice lots, neither had they the necessary knowledge.

The big majority of the prices realized at these sales would, of course, compared with present day values, be absolute gifts for the purchaser, at the same time it must be remembered that condition was not the fetish it is—and rightly so—at the present time. Many an attractively described lot realized as much in those days as it would now. Thousands of lots however, would show absolutely enormous profits could they have been kept and resold at present day prices.

In 1895 there were comparatively few specialists, everybody was a general collector, even to the extent of taking postal stationery, with the result that standard rarities were always in demand, and were always being offered at Auctions. Nova Scotia Is., New Brunswick ditto, Nevis 6d. green, the scarce Newfoundland, Turks Islands Is. prune, Woodblock Capes, imperf. Ceylons, and other similar stamps were offered at every sale.

Collectors in those days, at least those who had plenty of money and did not collect minor varieties (there were not so many to collect then!) were able to tell one another that they had everything except perhaps two or three, say, one or two Mauritius, or a Woodblock error!

Memory plays strange freaks, so I will not rely too much on my own; one lot in particular, however, that I remember buying consisted of many thousands of early surface-printed English, including several hundreds of the 2½d. rose, plate numbers. My purse in those days was a very small one, so the amount paid probably did not exceed thirty shillings or so. At that time very little attention was paid to foreign postmarks, it was in 1895 I think that Ewen published a catalogue of English Used Abroad. Line-Engraved English, excepting of course that then very popular stamp the V. R. were very much neglected, with the result that big boxes of 1d. imperf. and perf.

could be bought at auction for a few shillings.

Tete-beche French, in the days when it was a case of one collector, one stamp, were not the desirable items they are now, while I wonder what happened to two Cape woodblocks that were sold by Messrs. Ventom, Bull & Cooper in January, 1895, for £65, a colossal price for those days. The item in question was a modest pair of woodblocks, the penny blue, set against with the fourpence same colour. The 1d. being described in the catalogue as very fine. It is quite within the bounds of possibility that the purchaser only wanted the err of colour, in which case the ordinary variety was probably cut off and given to some less fortunate collector!

Twenty-five years ago there were, I should imagine, more philatelic publications than at present. This was accounted for by the extraordinary number of small sheets, most of them of absolutely no philatelic value, which were published in America. The following is a list of a few that were current in 1895. All, to the best of belief, have long since become decidedly obsolete:—

"The Pennsylvania Philatelist," "The Weekly Philatelic Era," "The Post Office," "The Philatelic Californian," "The Rocky Mountain Stamp," "The Oldest Stamp Paper," List published in The West, "La Revista Filatelica" (St. Louis, Mo.), "The Washington Philatelist," "The Philatelic Review of Reviews," "The Bay State Philatelist," "Philatelic Facts and Fallacies," "Southern Philatelist," "The Boston Stamp Book," "The International Philatelist," "The Philatelic Newsletter," "The Eastern Philatelist."

India boasted four or five, while other Possessions contributed their quota. Most of these papers lived for only a short while. There was then great activity in the collecting world, and several of these small publications were. I am sure, conducted by collectors in what I may style the collecting spirit, as opposed to the commercial.

I know that I myself was imbued with the wish to start a paper at about this time, and wrote for an estimate to some printers, which, when received, was big enough to swamp any profits I could possibly have made by accepting dealers advertisements at that time. I only knew a few collectors so it is not at all likely my subscription list would have got into double figures! Fortunately for myself and for an already long suffering philatelic public my venture never passed the experimental stage.

The year 1895 saw the formation of the S. S. S. S., a society that attracted a lot of attention from the philatelic press. There can be no doubt but that the idea was very sound. Contrasting the present deluge of rubbish it is interesting to remember that the S. S. S. S. vetoed the British Inland Mail Madagascar, Brueni, Clipperton Islands, Bussahir, Commemorative stamps of Transvaal, Peru, Greece (Olympian Games) and many others. I well remember the 1895 "issue" for Brueni—the "stamps" were believed in by many.

The younger generation of collectors, cannot realize how, even a quarter of a century ago distance played a far more important part in collecting

than it does at present, when traveling facilities are so much easier and quicker.

In the very early days of stamp collecting, when there were no importers of new issues, stamps from small and far distant countries, dribbled through a few at a time, and collectors who had secured, say, a black Nicaraguan, went months before they saw, or even heard of the green stamp of the same issue.

At the present time new issues are talked about and proofs seen before they are issued to the collecting public, and before they are sent to some small island where a few of them in due course, do actual postal duty.

The year 1895 was a time, a sort of half-way house between these two periods, and I am sure there must be many hundreds of collectors, who, like myself look back on those days with regret.

"COLLECTIN" STAMPS

E. D. Koontz.

Been "collectin" stamps nigh onto twenty year,
Some folks seem to thing "collectins" very queer;

That fellows spend a heap of time just in common play,
(Sure time passes quick enough in any other way.)

But when you're tired of a hundred busy cares,
Just sit down among your stamps put off your business airs,

You'll soon forget your worries among the blues and greens,
Your befuddled mind will ramble through many shifting scenes,

You will gather lots of wisdom you never found in books;
For every little stamp is more than what it looks.

Just a little square of paper with gum upon its back,
But it takes your thoughts around the world and also brings them back

The colored picture on the front is just an artist's dream,
But it holds a lot of history, that few have ever seen.

The stamps of every nation are its galleries of art,
So the fellows who collect them perform a noble part,

They own a gallery of art, and build a Hall of Fame,
So after all "collectin" stamps is not a foolish game.

Ralph L. King, Waukegan, Ill.

One of the best collections of European coin gathered by veterans of the world war is that in the possession of Paul J. Bairstow, of Waukegan, Ill., who served in the 417th signal corps. The collection consists of German, Luxemburg, Belgium and French coins and bank-

notes, some of large denomination.

All of the numismatic pieces were in circulation at the time Mr. Bairstow was overseas and whenever he came into possession of a "variety" he put it away.

One of the German coins of three marks value was issued in 1910 to commemorate the looth anniversary of the founding of the University of Berlin. It bears the portrait of crown prince Frederick Wilhelm and ex-kaiser Wilhelm.

Another coin, the intrinsic value of which is probably quite large is a French silver dollar dated 1837, bearing the portrait of King Louis Phillippe, the first, who resigned for 18 years until the revolution of 1848 drove him to England where he died in 1850.

There are also a number of French coins minted during the time Napoleon, the third, ruled in the early part of the 19th century.

Not a few pieces of the "iron money" of Germany are included in the collection. Some of this money is very crude, being molded like ordinary castings. There are numerous pieces issued by various states in the war zone. The collection numbers about 400 pieces.

THE LURE OF THE MODERN STAMP

West end Philatelic says if human interest be the basis of Philately, then, we venture to assert that there are no stamps more worthy of the consideration of the true philatelist than those issued within the past five years or so. Without in any way detracting from the undoubted charm and interest of the classic stamps of the early philatelic decades, it is maintained that association with epoch making events (of which they present a comprehensive and fascinating record) has lifted the vast majority of War and New Europe stamps far above the general run of postage stamps, as regards their appeal to the average imagination. There is after all more legitimate interest in the possession of a stamp endowed with a curious and often romantic history, than in the finicking study of minute plate varieties or imaginary retouches to the detriment of eyesight and temper.

The ever increasing popularity of modern stamps is reflected in their rising values. Philatelists of moderate means are finding the collecting of early issues more and more beyond them and are coming to realize that stamps of more recent date are equally deserving of their attention and offer an even better investment.

GERMAN FORGED STAMPS. HOW TO DETECT THEM

Postage stamp forgeries on a large scale are constantly coming to light in Germany, and collectors should take note of them.

Generally, forged names are printed on the stamps of countries which have recently changed hands owing to the war. The latest instances are German stamps with a French mark (sic) of the Saar district.

Three men just arrested—Muller, a well known collector and two brothers named Lutter, one a Dusseldorf dentist and the other a mechanic—at Saarbrücken are alleged to have had German Saar stamps costing 20,000 marks (nominally £1,000), and to have forged the French mark, and so gained huge profits from collectors.

The police believe that these forgeries are being carried out on a wide scale.

TELL-TALE "S"

A London expert stated yesterday that some of the forgeries have reached Paris and London, but they are not dangerous, and will not deceive experts. They are genuine German stamps, but bear a forged overprint, reading "Sarre."

The French printed the name "Sarre" on the German and Bavarian stamps to distinguish stamps issued in this district from those in general use throughout Germany. The genuine overprinted stamps were issued in limited numbers, and the entire edition was exhausted some weeks ago, consequently the stamps are fetching from £8 to £10 the full set.

The fraud can be detected by the initial "S," which in the forgeries has a straight top to the letter instead of a rounded top as in the genuine issue. The first "Sarre" stamps have been superseded by a similar set overprinted "Saargebiet," meaning "territory of the Saar." —From "The Daily Mail."

A Hounslow correspondent, Mr. M. Reeve, informs us that he has two varieties of the current 1c. adhesive, one being a pair, perf. $11\frac{1}{2}$ and a single copy, perf. $12 \times 11\frac{1}{2}$, both mint.

Although we have not actually seen these varieties, we imagine they are merely the result of a stretching of the paper on which they are printed. Mr. Reeve says that the specimens mentioned were sent to his father some time ago, "apparently when the type was first

issued in 1908," as curiosities, and we recall that at that time about 9 per cent of the printed sheets of engraved United States stamps were wasted in the perforating presses because of the expansion or contraction of the paper during the process—an essential one in printing in *taille-douce*—of "wetting down."

Collectors have often been puzzled at finding variations in the size of stamps otherwise identical, and the fact that a stamp is, proportionately, larger in one direction has suggested that they must have originated from different and separately engraved dies.

In the case of the United States engraved stamps the trouble has been largely overcome by the use of better paper, in which connexion we quote the following passage which appeared in the report of the Third Assistant Postmaster-General nine or ten years ago:—

"The Bureau has accomplished the desired result by the use of printing plates having longitudinal margins of varying widths between the stamps. The width of the horizontal margins remain uniform, because the shrinkage is not perceptible with the grain of the paper (which is endwise of the stamps), but only across the grain. The shrinkage being greater on the outside of the sheets of paper than in the middle, the outside margins have been slightly widened to give more space for perforating. By this means the waste from imperfect perforation has been reduced from about 9 per cent. to less than 1 per cent."

In fuller reference to the new surface-printed 2c., briefly noted in our April 24th issue, Mr. Philip H. Ward, Jun., writing in "Mekeel's" says:—

"It seems that several weeks back some unsatisfactory ink was used on the flat plates and before it was discovered many of 2c. plates had been ruined. In order to keep up with the enormous demand the Bureau could not afford the delay that would be necessary to turn out more of the engraved plates and, as a result, fell back on the quick offset method. A negative was made from the flat plate Die 1; it was not touched up in the least, and the plates of four hundred subjects were turned out in short order. I called the attention of our readers to this new offset work several months back, for at that time many of the revenue, or, rather, tax paid, were being printed in this way. On examining these stamps, which are in a very bright shade, one will readily see that the work is vastly superior to the former 1c. and 3c."

A PHILATELIC AUTOBIOGRAPHY— Horace Edgar Jones INTRODUCTORY

Autobiographers are required to use the personal pronoun of the first person to such an extent that I have often wondered if it would not be well to write after the authors name the title "Egotist." But, perhaps, there are other reasons for the penning and the author may often be pardoned for penning his history. For example, one who has collected stamps in an original way for many years and whose methods, while successful, have been criticised by those who don't understand, might wish to justify himself. Then, too, there are others in the world who do things in curious manners, and if they can only compare experiences, the comparison is bound to be helpful and inspiring. Lastly, this is the day of efficiency and efficiency depends on "Service First." If one, who has learned the pit-falls by bitter experience will only tell others from his errors. It is hoped that with the above poor excuses to begin with, the remainder may prove interesting enough to warrant the persual of the reader, if only "just to see what the 'other bug' says."

This autobiography will be divided into two parts. Part one will contain the autobiography proper and Part two will be devoted to a consideration of some Philatelic problems I have met with and the solutions of those that I have solved.

PART ONE—Chapter One

Early years of the collection.

To begin with, I was born in Portland, Indiana, May 19, 1893. I was only a very noisy youngster and, as neither of my parents were Philatelists, there is, perhaps no coincidence in the fact of my birth, unless it is that 1893 was the year of the Columbian issue, which made so many Philatelic converts.

The city of Portland at that time had a population of about 4000 made up, for the most part, of those who are interested in corn and hogs and although the population has increased the chief topic of conversation today is still "corn and hogs."

The first recollection that I have of a Philatelic nature was about the year 1900 when my father gave me a half-penny vermilion queens' head stamp of Great Britain. I don't remember much more of the occurrence but sometime around 1900 I launched myself onto the Philatelic sea with a small pocket diary, on a page of which I had

folded booklets, two in number, each of which had pages a little larger than a postage stamp, perhaps twelve pages to each. I remember the first trade I made about that time, some 3c greens, U. S., for some Belgian 5c green and that time one of the little books was foreign, the other for U. S. stamps.

In 1901 the Pan-American issue was in vogue and I used to seek diligently after them. At that time I had taken all my stamps and mounted them, pasted flat on a piece of cardboard about 8 by 11 inches in size. I had, by this time coaxed my grandmothers and aunt to go over their letters and hunt stamps for me. My aunt gave me, among others, a copy of the 8c Straits Settlements stamp of 1883, and I have it in my collection today, the sole recognized survivor of those early days. It had come from my uncle while he was serving as a naval officer in those waters. Today it bears on its face a large "X" scrawled in pencil, due to a childish interpretation of the revenue law of the day.

During the currency of the Pan-American issue, I was asked, one evening by a hotel proprietor to go to the Post-office and buy him a dollar's worth of 2c stamps, I returned with the Pan-American stamps and he gave me a nickel. I looked at it and then at the stamps and proceeded to make myself foolish in my father's eyes by coaxing the proprietor for two of the stamps and a penny instead of the nickel. Obtaining them, I was satisfied and the penny went for a lolly-pop which made my bliss complete.

About this time I found several other boys who had them. In those days stamps were stamps and we didn't worry about the frills. One of the boys lived just across the street from my house and, being older, he had a Scott's International Album and subscribed to several papers. He told me about C. A. Townsend's offer of an album, a hundred stamps and two hundred fifty hinges for a dime and I asked him to send for me. He mounted my stamps in the album and that was the real beginning of my present collection. I progressed so rapidly in the desire for Philatelic knowledge that in the same year 1903, I prevailed on my father to buy me Scott's catalog and an Imperial album. But my father couldn't see the value in a stamp collection so, after buying me a few sets, one from Mauritius to appease my interest in the dodo bird of which my mother had told me, he impressed me with the fact that I could not spend money for stamps. Being impressed duly with the fact that I couldn't spend

money for stamps, I immediately tried the art of obtaining them from the original sources. I would find out every one who received foreign letters, and being a boy most everyone was willing to give them to me. Sometimes I would have to walk a mile or so to get one common stamp; but after I had it, it would hold interest to such an extent that I soon found that the stamps I had bought were only a tenth as interesting as those I had to "dig" after.

The stamps themselves puzzled me from time to time. The first Austrian stamps I ever had, before the catalog came, were deciphered for me by my mother who told me of old Franz Joseph. About this time, too, I began to study geography in school and it became my favorite subject. I made it a point to know as much as possible about every country and also about its people, their customs, languages and later their history and politics.

In 1904 I was at the Post-office the day the Louisiana-Purchase stamps were first placed on sale to obtain a set for my collection.

About 1905 or 1906 I became a subscriber to Mekeels and also the now forgotten 'Perforator.' The two main articles of that time were: "Cook Islands," by Poole, in Mekeels and "The Seybold Collection of Original Covers" in the Perforator. In the Perforator I placed in 1906 an advertisement requesting exchange with collectors. It brought replies from R. E. Gerspacher, H. O. Bannister, H. L. Finney, the Rev. J. W. Dickinson and many others. I wonder if any of those gentlemen remember my early efforts.

In 1907 I went to the Jamestown Exposition and Washington, D. C. While in the later city I invaded the mysterious precincts of the Dead Letter Office, all alone in quest of stamps. I did not come away empty handed.

A little later I received the first number of the "Stamp Journal." from Denver, Colorado. I was in touch with it thruout its life, it died in Ohio two or three years ago. About this time too, I first received the "Philatelic West." It came regularly for many years and with it was inaugurated my exchange experience.

In November 1906, my collection for the first time numbered 1000 stamps. Being in a 19th century album the 20th century stamps were conspicuous because of there being no spaces for them. Hence, I was attracted to their beauty and then it was that I decided to make a special effort to collect stamps. There is another advantage in the study of 20th century stamps and that is that the field

constantly enlarges. I still keep my 19th century stamps for their number swells the total of my collection. My collection at that time was two-thirds 19th century; today it is three-fourths 20th century.

DENVER NOTES—By Maitland Milliken.

The "Forest Fire Season" postmarks have made their annual appearance again. Boise, Idaho, has the following worded postmark, "Forest Fire Season Be Careful With Fire in the Mountains". Portello, Idaho, "Forest Fire Season Take no chances with fire.", and Phoenix, Arizona, "Fire is the Enemy of Forests Prevent Fires." Other offices not known just now are doubtless using similar cancellations.

Richard J. Gealt, alias H. A. Lamont, alias E. O. Winberg, an alleged stamp collector was arrested at Casper, Wyoming, in April by a post office inspector on the charge of defrauding several eastern stamp companies. This party seems to be a stranger to philatelists in these parts. Hope to have some information regarding this fellow later.

Mr. Dick Green of Idaho, was recently a welcome visitor at your correspondent's stamp shop. He was on his way to Allentown, Pa., where he will be located for some time.

Mr. C. S. Watson, head of the C. S. Watson Company, Inc., East Dedham, Mass., was also another caller at the same shop. Mr. Watson recently toured Central Europe and reported very interesting and varied experiences encountered while there.

There has been no convention of the national philatelic societies in Denver since the American Philatelic Society convened in 1908. It is to be hoped that one of the societies at its meeting in August will select Denver for its 1921 meet. If selected, the convention will be a wonderful help to local collectors having their interest galvanized into fever head and action, and society spirit will prevail. When it does Philatelia will rule enthusiastically.

MISCELLANEOUS NOTES—W. Straley, 4327 Forest Ave. K. C. Mo

A letter published recently in the Baltimore (Md.) Sun contain-

ed this paragraph: "The late George Alfred Townsend established beyond controversy that, while there may have been a few isolated instances of cargoes of bricks from England, not one colonial house in fifty, for which such claim is made, included English bricks in its composition."

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Bulletin 69, Bureau of American Ethnology just off the press, contains an interesting paper by Daniel I. Bushnell, Jr., entitled: "Native Village Sites East of the Mississippi," which will prove quite valuable to the students of history and Americas early inhabitants. The work contains 106 pages of text illustrated 16 pages of plates, besides 12 figures and a color front piece depicting a portion of the La Harpe manuscript map.

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A press report under a Washington date line states that the government recently destroyed some 60 million dollars in confederate money—currency which was seized by Federal troops when the southern capitol was captured during the Civil War.

A writer on the Youth's Companion remarks that "During the first ten weeks of 1920 more than 450 new varieties of stamps that had been issued in various parts of the world during 1919 came to light."

No doubt the curio dealer across the "pond" is stocking up for the American tourist, who will in the course of the next few years, visit the battle fields of Europe.

STAMPS

Postage stamps of former German colonies that the British or French expeditionary forces seized, overprinted and re-issued are said to be among the rarer war-time stamps. According to the New York Tribune, the rarest of them all are the German colonial stamps that the French at the Catholic mission at Lome in Togo overprinted "Occupation Franco-Anglaise." A certain stamp of that series is now valued at \$10,000.

Twelve new denominations of stamps with new designs have been issued by the Inland Revenue, England, authorities for the new rates

of the National Health Insurance scheme, which came into force last Monday, and 300,000,000 stamps have been printed.

Philatelists have been so insistent in their demands for the new stamp of the French aerial post that sale by post offices has been stopped, and the only means of securing one is to send a letter, when the stamp is affixed by the clerk.

Two hundred pounds was obtained at a London auction for a pair of the rare 12d. Canada stamps issued in 1851, before the adoption of the decimal coinage. A pair of the 3-pfennig Saxony, issued in 1850, realized 25 pounds.

WISE AND OTHERWISE—Claude C. Beals

There seems to be some prospect now that the United States wants will again coin silver dollars. Since 1906 the coinage of silver dollars has been discontinued, under a ruling of the comptroller, which held that no more silver dollars could be coined without affirmative congressional action. The Pittman act now authorizes the coinage of dollars, and also stabilizes the price of American silver at \$1 an ounce. The Denver mint has never coined silver dollars.

According to a newspaper clipping, the peers of Europe are still selling their treasures. In one room the other day Lord Mostyn's collection of early English and Scottish literature was sold, while in the next room the plate of jewels of the Dowager Lady Tankerville and Viscountess Messereene were being auctioned to the highest bidder.

The ex-kaiser's possessions do not seem to be bringing any astonishing prices from collectors. The lot of gold-embroidered velvet hangings from the throne room of the imperial palace at Berlin, valued at \$50,000 sold in New York at auction last month for \$7,877. Many other articles formerly belonging to the kaiser were sold at a fraction of their value.

The Shell-Heaps on Cape Cod.—By Edward H. Rogers

An almost unexplored field to the archaeologist is the shell-heaps on Cape Cod, Massachusetts. Immense heaps of shells, dating from

the most remote period of antiquity stretch along the coast of Newfoundland, Nova Scotia, Massachusetts, Louisiana, and Nicaragua. Some of these heaps are of considerable dimensions. One on the Altamaha river in Georgia covers ten acres of ground and is from five to ten feet deep. Those on Cape Cod are much smaller however. The writer has completely explored many of these heaps. They are made up of shells from oyster, clam, quahaug, scallop, and cockle. Many of the oyster and scallop shells are considerably larger than those that now grow along the coast. Usually the shells are thoroughly mixed with black loam, caused by the decomposition of vegetable growth, a proof that the heaps were many years in reaching their present size. Mingled with the shells may be found the bones of the deer, rabbit, and squirrel. Many of the larger bones have been split longitudinally to facilitate the extraction of the marrow. On one occasion the writer found the jaw bone and antlers of the red deer. At another time some bone arrow heads were found which unfortunately crumbled as soon as they came in contact with the air. Two bone needles in an excellent state of preservation were recovered. These are now in the writers collection.

Arrow heads are numerous. Quartz, quartzite, and flint pieces predominate. All are much ruder than those found in the western part of Massachusetts. Flakes are so numerous that they are gathered by the bushel. Granite or Gneiss stones weighing from a few ounces to several pounds with a groove cut around the smaller circumference are often found. As these are seldom found inland we may rightly assume that they were used for net-sinkers.

Pottery, owing to its softness and shape is never found whole, but pieces of considerable size, often from the same vessel, are found in inland pottery.

Probably the most interesting of the shell-heap finds are the ancient fire pots. These were made by digging a hole in the ground and walling it with stones half as large as a man's head. Inclosed still remains the charcoals of a vanished people awaiting the spark of the morrow to set them aglow.

Here is an interesting field but little known to the araeologist. It should be carefully explored and recorded by the museums before the commercial collector gets in and destroys it.



BOILED DOWN

ORIGINAL AND OTHERWISE

Many collectors have favored us with notes, clippings and news matter. We would like to thank you one and all for your kind interest. We are glad to see even a post card containing notes or items for collectors.

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An English soldier obtained thirty-two British Occupation Bagdad stamps while on duty there for one dollar and eighty cents. He recently sold twenty-five of them for \$3500.

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Covers bearing many of the New Europe and War stamps should be worth considering in a few years. These are hard to get, legitimately used, and many of the stamps offered so frequently in unused or cancelled to order condition, are good as gold when used on cover." B(uy) Wise.

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Australia's Latest Postmark

"Finish the Job—Buy Peace Bonds." The novelty in postal obliterations has come from the "Aussies" and has this exhortation in bold capitals.

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If you like the Collector's show it to your neighbors and friends and get them to subscribe.

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A complete sheet of the Canada 3 c. Confederation stamp has been discovered imperforate in a small office in Northern Manitoba.

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Owing to the shortage of silver in Paris, stamps and underground railway tickets are given as change and accepted in payment in one of the large Paris stores.

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Collectors should hesitate to pay high prices for new issues of stamps from middle Europe. It has been found that a series of Czecho-Slovakian stamps that a German dealer sold recently to an American collector for \$150 was not a legitimate issue at all. Other European dealers have offered large stocks of that same series to Americans for thirty-three cents a set at wholesale. The market value of armistice and reconstruction stamps is not yet fixed, and collectors are likely to be misled or deliberately swindled.

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It pays to advertise, even if you haven't anything to sell—Let others know you collect.

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If this magazine helps you, help us by mentioning it in your letters to your advertisers.



Collection of broken bank bills

KEY TO OUR ILLUSTRATIONS

No. 1—Two of the Arkansas sailor boys are Gardners see his ads. H. L. Gardner, mail order dealer, Natural Steps, Arkansas. is 26 years old, is curio collector and deputy sheriff of Little Rock. He was a blue jacket at Newport, R. I., has been quite an amateur photographer, hunting being his long suit, and is glad to hear from all collectors.

No. 2—M. L. Coleman, Mt. Vernon, Illinois is the button collector on the midway at Jefferson county fair, and is the owner of the largest button collection of southern part of his state, having over two thousand.

No. 3—J. E. Fullerton, Grenada stamp dealer, see his ads.

No. 4—Cartoon is of Seward of Wichita collector who has made and designed covers of the West and our poster stamps.

No. 5—Small cut is of early English cover of Mulready envelope of first Penny, black, mailed and bearing the postmark when first issue of postage stamps is in collection of D. Tompkins of Ossington, N. Y. We hope to show more of his collection.

No. 6—Inverted stamp of Haker of Canada who had double page ad last No.



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Scene of the Russian killing before the war.

NUMISMATICS

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Of all antiquities coins are the smallest, yet, as a class, the most authoritative record, and the widest in range. No history is so unbroken as that which they tell; no geography so complete; no art so continuous in sequence nor so broad in extent; no mythology so ample and so various. Unknown kings, lost towns, forgotten divinities, new schools of art, have here their authentic record.

Please send us notes and clippings on coins, coinage, currency, medals, etc. We will appreciate such a favor and give credit for all that is sent. In co-operating with us in this way you will help make the contents of our department more interesting.

When we had given up seeing more gold coined at our mints, the report comes that such coinage has been resumed after an interval of nearly four years. In April, when this coinage was resumed, 15,000 pieces of double eagles were struck.

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In nearly every city and town of any size are there local tokens in circulation. Such tokens are issued by cigar stores, billiard halls and similar places "good for 5 cents in trade," and are usually in brass or other compositions of cheap metals. To include these tokens in numismatics is perhaps stretching the term a little, but they are not without their interest.

If you would like to start a collection of these "Good for 5 Cents in Trade" tokens and don't know where to begin, just strike up an old acquaintance with somebody in your Telephone Central, did you say? Yes, you see, young fellows drop these pieces in the slots when telephoning their best girls for dates. And this is the reason why you are very apt to find a collection of these illegitimate coins at your Telephone Central.

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In a collection of newspaper clippings made by Miss Lucinda Harris, a pioneer woman, many interesting facts and sidelights of the early days of Cedar Rapids, Iowa are to be found.

The chronological history of the city properly began in 1837, when Linn County was defined by the Wisconsin territorial legislature. The first man to settle here was Osgood Shepherd, whose record later was not of the choicest and for a time threatened to start the city off "on the wrong foot". Shepherd was a counterfeiter and horse thief of considerable notoriety, about whom centered a gang of desperadoes who operated for a time through this section of the state. Shepherd erected the first log cabin on the present site of what is now the old Y. M. C. A. building a tablet in the vestibule is to this effect. Counterfeit money was made in this cabin, and one of the gang, Granger by name, was later arrested in Chicago for passing counterfeit money.

The first bridge across the Cedar River was built in 1856. A toll bridge was built in 1859. The builders were granted a license for 25 years. The toll charged ran something like this, according to one county historian: For a

double team and wagon, twenty-five cents; cattle, five cents a head; sheep, three cents a head, and pedestrians one cent. A number of the toll coins used at that time are still in existence and are being kept as souvenirs and relics by those of the old settlers who have them. One of these tokens was passed in one of the local banks a couple of years ago; the cashier later refusing \$5.00 for it. Another dater 1866, is found in the Masonic Library here. It is the size of a U. S. 2-cent, piece.

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No one will deny that our present quarter dollar piece is a pretty coin, but there is a fault about the design of it in that the date is placed on the base below Liberty. This being one of the most exposed places on the coin the date soon wears off. I have seen coins struck in 1917 and 1918, where the date had been worn so badly as to be almost illegible.

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The coins of Oaxaca may be divided into four classes, according to the metals used. Copper coins in the denominations of 1, 3, 5, 10 and 20 centavos; silver, containing a little gold, 50 centavos, 1, and 2 pesos; silver-gold, 2, and 5 pesos—these coins are marked thus: Δ G. 0.902 AU. 0.010—and the 5, 10, and 20 pesos in base gold.

NEWS AND NOTES—By L. A. Cardwell

When Carranza left Mexico City in his recent attempt to escape to Vera Cruz, he carried with him the dies from which the recent coinage of Mexico were struck, also plates for printing the currency and stamps of that country.

All are familiar with the desperate fighting which occurred and the president's tragic death in a little mountain town. What became of the dies and plates has not yet been made public, however, in case they were lost or damaged, new issues may be looked for and it may not be amiss to expect them anyway, since the last few weeks in that country has seen a complete change of government.

Should the dies from which the new 20 centavo Mexican copper and 2 peso Mexican gold of 1920 be lost or should the new "Liberal Constitutional" government not resume their coinage, they should be among the scarce coins in a very short time.

The 1920 Canadian copper is out in the old large size and the new small size was scheduled to make its appearance about May 15th. Whether or not this occurred we have not yet learned. The fact that the large cents to be redeemed and reissued into the smaller places, should make the recent dates of the large coppers scarce.

. . . INQUIRIES . . .

Questions on stamp matters must be sent to the editor of this department. It is to your benefit as well as ours, as when not sent thus oftentimes your answer does not reach me in time to be answered in the next issue and is consequently held over a whole month. Remember this and also don't forget the small fee of 2c that is charged to cover expenses. All questions relative to coins and paper money, curios, minerals etc., should be sent to the editors of these departments.

Owing to the large number of inquiries received it is impossible to get them all into print at once. Each must take its turn. For this reason should you desire a reply at once, we ask that you enclose a stamp and we will reply direct. All questions of general interest will appear in the WEST just the same.

Archie R. Albro, Marathon, N. Y.—Can you tell me where there is a good, reliable buyer of old, rare books and stamps?

Ans.—You will readily find the names and addresses of several such parties by looking through the advertisement columns of the West. Or better still advertise in the "West" what you have for sale.

W. A. Kain, St. John, Can.—My collection of communion tokens is nearly complete. I want only five more, including one from Fort Hope, Ontario.

Ans.—See answer to question above.

A. J. Herman, Phila., W. Va.—The Pilgrim Commemorative half-dollar will be struck some time this year. When it has been coined you will evidently read about it in your papers. To secure one or more of the coins, write the Director of the Mint, enclose a money order for the necessary amount together with postage and registration fee, and the coins will be sent you. Coin dealers will also get them for sale.

Q.—What is a rix-dollar?

A.—Rix-dollars were various German, Dutch and Scandinavian coins, and are now nearly obsolete. They varied in value from thirty cents to \$1.15, but the typical value was not far from one dollar.

Q.—How much gold and silver money is being coined at present?

A.—During the month of May, 1920, \$15,525,000 was coined in gold and \$2,842,000 in silver money.

Mr. Tr.

- 1.—Orange River Colony, regular issue, used with bank.
- 2.—Norway 'Bypost' a local with the value of 3 ore.
- 3.—German Bank Stamp of 40pf. note the Teutonic arms.
- 4.—Dominican Republic, showing the patriots Duarte, Sanchez and Melia.
- 5.—This is the lower table of the Mexican 'Talon' revenue. This is the part that the stamp clerk retains when the rest of the stamp is unused as a postage stamp.

6.—An Italian revenue, sometimes the inscription will read 'Franco Da Bollo' as well as 'Marco Da Bollo'.

7.—Austrian bank stamp of facial value of 20 kr., showing Franz Josefs face towards the left.

8.—Surinam, three gulden revenue, much like the 'bill' and consular stamps.

9.—Hungary bank stamp of 10 filler face.

10.—Spanish revenue note the coat of arms of Arragon and Castile. These are often found punched, in order to demonetize them.

Mr F K

1.—The triangular stamp is a rather common one, being nothing more than the Austrian Special Delivery

2.—This is a local used as a carrier stamp.

3.—The large sloppy stamp is green is the \$9.60 U. S. Wine stamp, listing 10.00 dollars in the standard catalogue.

4.—K—1—The following are the most important stamp issuing countries and they issued the following number of stamps, exclusive of dues, wrappers, revenues, envelope, or locals.

5.—S 860, Austria 220., Belgium 122., Canada 112., Columbian Republic the vast number 1012 which could be easily be raised to twice this number by minor varieties locals, postage dues, and officials., Denmark 132, France 156, Germany 187, Great Britain 182, Hungary 306, Italy 196, Japan 154, Holland 188, Norway 101, Switzerland 173, Portugal 234, Russia 172, Spain 313, Sweden 11, while unspcakable Turk has issued 564 varieties for postal use, although many collectors and dealers consider nearly half of them speculative and unnecessary.

6.—Most animal stamps are the products of those countries which cater to the collector who wants showy, bright colored scraps of paper to put in his album. To this class belong the showy Labuan, North Borneo, and the brilliantly colored Liberias well as many French and British Colonials. It is sometimes wise to be careful of this class of stamps because some dealers are guilty of selling such "bar-canceled" specimens as genuine postally used copies. For this reason it is well to buy from such reliable dealers, whose adds appear regularly in the 'West'.

7.—Almost every country has been guilty of issuing "commemoratives", although the British and Portuguese are probably the greatest offenders, as the diamond jubilee brought forth many issues and also famous victories, and now some (from Newfoundland) commemorating some of the great battles of the world-war. Again our own country has been guilty of such issues as is clearly shown in our '69, '93, '98, '01, '04, '07, '09, '12-13, '19, and some which will probably appear to remind us of properly of 'our Pilgrim fathers'.

8.—Probably the most revenue issues will be found to have been given to the world by Great Britain, with her bill, consular, and paper tax stamps; Mexico with her long series of revenues (with and without talon); Turkey

with a long series of "smuggler" stamps; and our own long series of documentary, proprietary, playing cards, cordials, wines, tobacco, snuff, fuel administration stamps, stock-transfers, future-delivery stamps, narcotics, match, medicine, and perfumery stamps. So in the production of revenue issues our country is not lagging behind the others.

5.—The most pictorial stamps are issued by the French colonies, although many never see the colony which is supposed to issue them; the British colonies also issue pictorials, partly for diplomatic reasons, as such a colony as Egypt would probably rebel at a series of "king-heads" yet is proud of a series which shows the departed greatness of the land of the Pharoes.

6.—The country with the most interesting stamp history is our own country, for it has all the elements which make up a dramatic postal history. First of all we have the pioneer pony riders with their experience the packet ships and their difficult handling of foreign mail the various river and ship routes, later the railroad expansion, and still later the use of the fast mail, ocean liner, automobile, and aeroplane. As a matter of fact a very interesting exhibit could be made showing our postal development, something as follows—

Indian hunting bison, pony rider, old style locomotive, mail steamer, 1840 mail train, ocean liner, and aeroplane. A few distinctive cancellations might be added if desired, to complete the story of our postal development.

R. B.—The stamps you asked about are the regular series of 1914 but have wavy line watermarks, and are on granite paper. The surcharge is a small plane and there are two in the set, ie 1½ sen with the overprint in red and the 3 sen over printed in blue.

E. Z.—The curious water-mark on this stamp of the Union of South Africa is the head of a springbok, a gazelle found in South Africa.

THE SMOOTH BORE KENTUCKY RIFLE

By Clarence St. John, Berrier, Springs, Mich.

It is the supposition among any number of Kentucky rifle collectors and dealers that the smooth bore Kentucky is not as "rare," generally speaking as those with the "grooves." It is a fact the latter is considerably more sought after, and for the life of me I can't tell why. If I was looking for one that had actually "been there" and I wished to bank on its having "done the business," I would look for a smooth bore. In those days nearly every household had one or more rifles. Some of these rifles were used almost continually, while others were rarely taken from the hooks over the fireplace. The latter are the cones that still retain their "grooves" and are to be found today in such state of preservation. Now here's what little information I have and what authority I have for saying it:

The greater part of all "Kaintucks" were rifled when made. When

a customer "gave his measure" for a rifle, the "twist" was one of the things he was very particular about. But some hunters were careless in those days as well as now, and with many the "twist" did not stay long; that is, to throw the ball at any degree of accuracy. Often times a hunter, after shooting his rifle several times, would return from the forest and hang it up with a load in it. It was not such an easy matter to draw a load, and then again the hunter did not feel like shooting at a mark just to empty his rifle, for powder and ball were not any too plentiful in those days. Therefore after the gun had been allowed to stand in this condition a few times it began to tell on the barrel. The greasing that it got from the patch was not sufficient to keep away the rust or keep the black powder from caking in the grooves. The hunter, after seeing how his rifle was deteriorating, would remove the barrel, take out the breeching and endeavor to give it a good cleaning. It had got in such a shape that it was often necessary to use vinegar to cut out the rust. After that the rifle shot a little better, but not for long. It soon got back in the same old way—only worse. It soon became apparent to the owner that unless something was done he would be without a useful rifle. So he took it to a gunsmith.

Now there were two classes of gunsmiths—the same as shoemakers. Some were makers while others did only repair work. Every gunsmith you ran across was not always a good workman, and it took a good workman to put good rifling in a gun barrel. In other cases the gunsmith might not have the facilities for rifling. The owner of the rifle knew very well that if the barrel was rebored and rifled it would take a bigger ball than he cared to shoot for all around purposes, so he had the barrel bored smooth and loaded it with two (rarely more) buckshot, and for small game he used fine shot. This made a gun that did not require the special attention that it formerly did, but was still just as effective. It really was a more all round gun.

There were very smooth bores made with octagon barrel. They were generally round. Some gunsmiths patterned after the foreign fowling piece—half octagon and half round. In other words, ninety-nine out of every hundred smooth bore flintlocks we find today with octagon barrel were at one time rifled. This also applies to the percussion locks. About all of the smooth bore cap lock Kentuckies with octagon barrels were originally flintlocks. The entire lock

may have been changed and brought to a perfect fit, but it was originally a flintlock just the same.

I have known of several rather extensive Kentucky rifle collectors who have turned down fine specimens just because they were not rifles. I also have seen many good rifles turned down because the lock did not fit showing that it did not have the original lockplate. Now it is a fact when we get a rifle with a tight fitting lock that shows no tampering or cutting out underneath, we know it is the old original lock, or lockplate at least, but when we get one in which the lock is not a good fit we know it has at some time been changed. Of course the latter is not treasured nearly as highly as the former for the reason that many have the wrong idea regarding these locks that don't fit.

Often times a hunter would break some part of his lock—sometimes the hammer, frizzen, spring, or sometimes the pan would burn out. He would take it to a gunsmith to have the part replaced, but the gunsmith didn't always have that kind of a lock or a part that would fit, or possibly the lock was in such a condition that to fix it up would cost more than a new lock. So instead of changing the part or parts he would change the entire lock, and the lockplate couldn't always be made to fit perfectly. (It was the same proposition in altering from a flintlock to a percussion lock. It was often easier to change the entire lock than to change the parts.) However it answered the same purpose of the original lock, and the owner was satisfied.

The above information I gleaned from Andrew W. Mars, old time gunsmith, who died a year ago last April at the age of 90 years.

I would be pleased to hear from anyone having anything else to offer on this subject.

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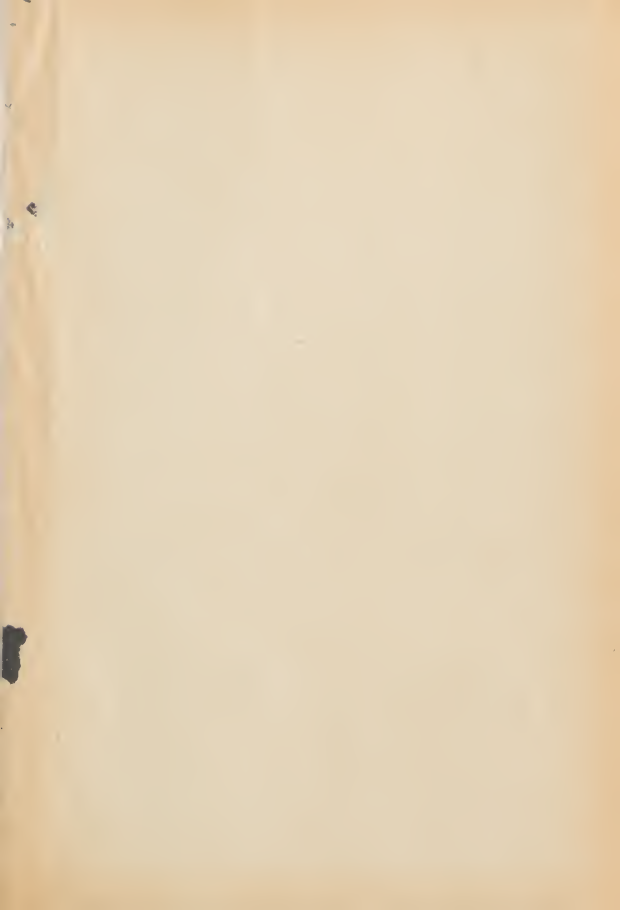
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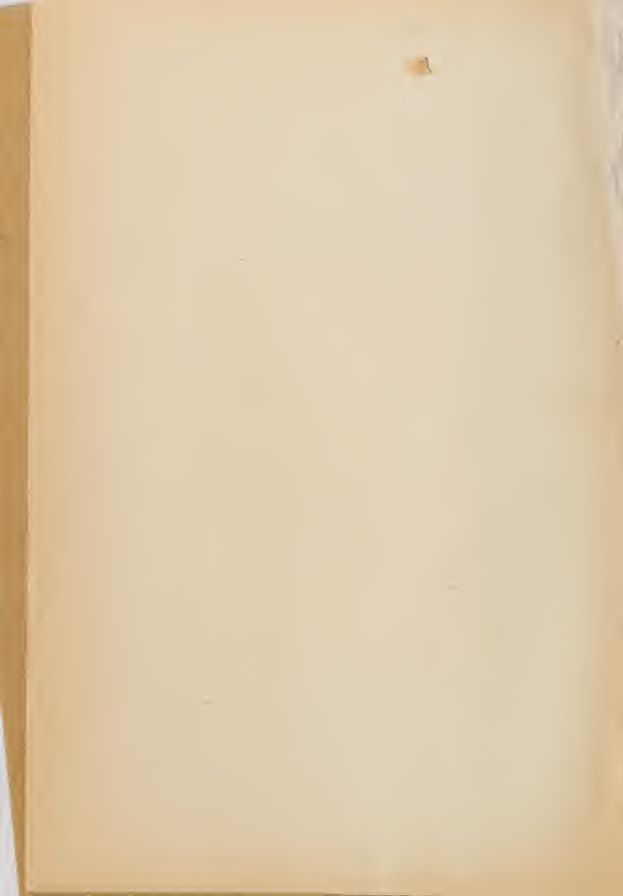
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